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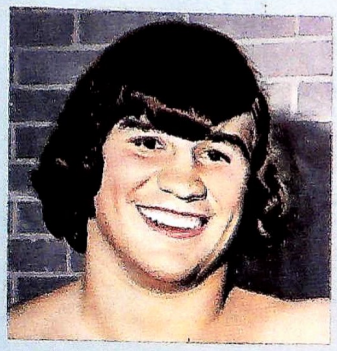

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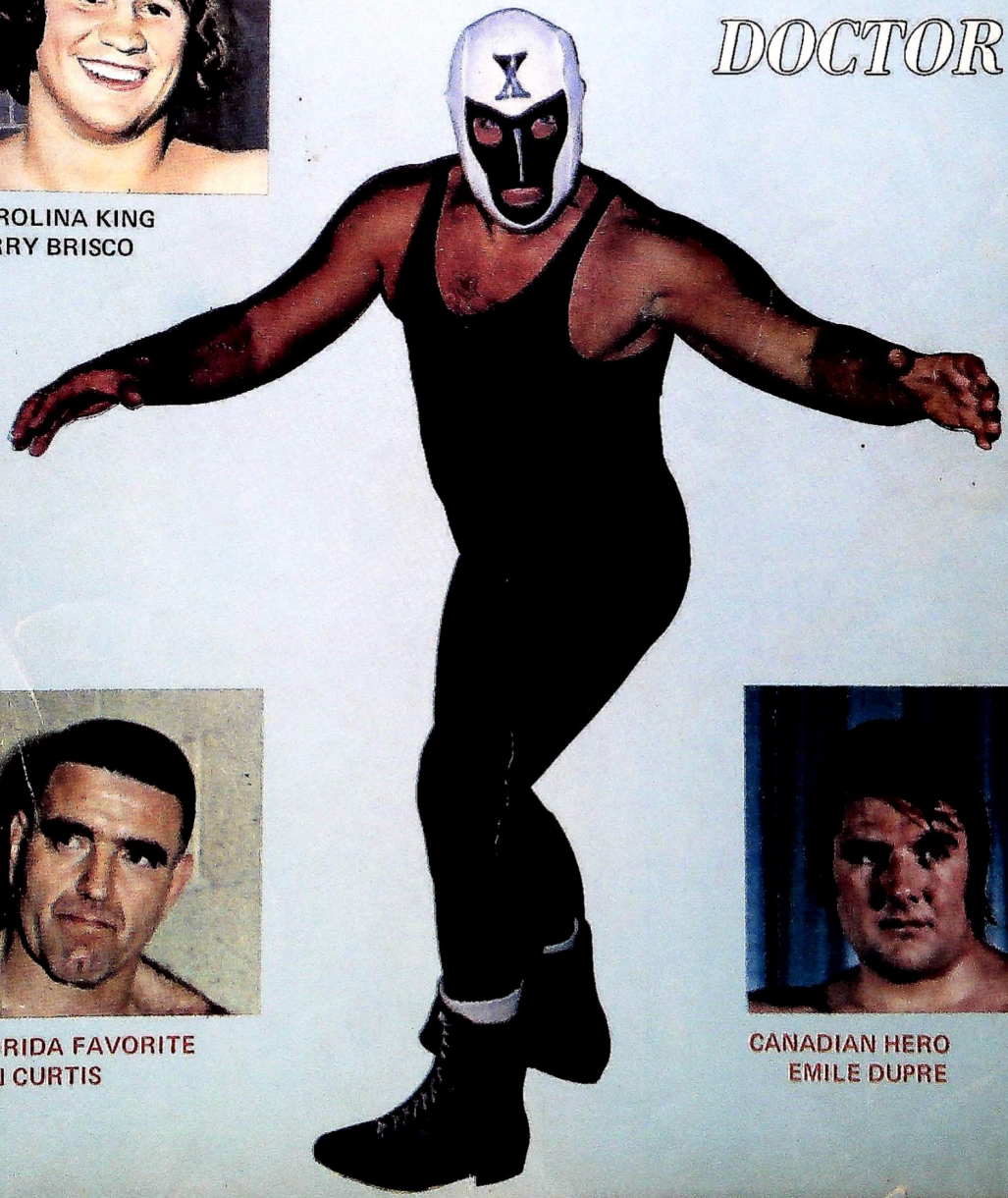

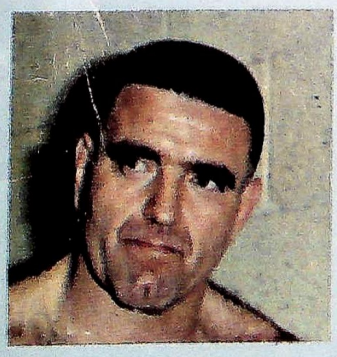

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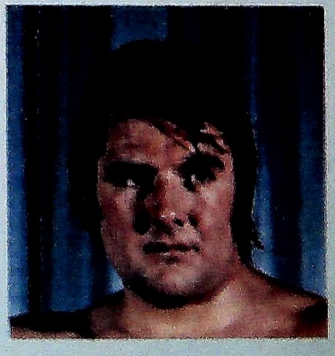

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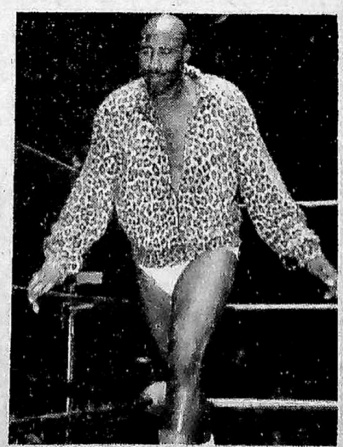

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EDITORIAL

By JAMES C. MELBY

OUTDOOR WRESTLING SHOWS, PRO AND CON

I recently attended two successful outdoor wrestling shows, but to what degree they were a success I'm not certain. There are many advantages and disadvantages to holding a wrestling card outdoors.

The first show I attended was promoted by Eddie Williams in St. Paul's Midway Stadium. This first show brings to mind the major drawback to holding wrestling under the stars, you have to contend with the weather conditions. In my case in point the card was cancelled on Staurday and moved to Sunday because of rain. I'm sure this hurt the gate as people who would have originally attended the matches probably couldn't because of previous Sunday appointements. Also the change in dates due to rain cost the promotion an additional day of advertising.

Another disadvantage from the fan's point of view is that the way most ballparks and stadiums are set up, the fans at ringside and elsewhere usually are sitting quite a bit further from the ring than normal. On the other hand this is quite a security advantage for the wrestlers themselves, especially where fans are rowdy and apt to try to get into the ring.

The second outdoor show I attended was Bob Luce's big card held in Chicago's Soldiers Field. At this show they drew such a large crowd that they wouldn't have been able to fit all the people into the indoor Chicago International Ampitheater that wanted to see the bout.

I must add in all honesty that there is an alternative solution for getting as many people as possible in to seeing the matches. Promoters in Los Angeles found out that they were constantly selling out, and many avid fans were being turned away from each card. The L.A. promoters arranged with various theatres to carry the cards on special closed circuit hookups, thereby allowing all who wanted to see the matches to do so.

Traditionally outdoor wrestling shows have been extremely successful and popular with mat fans and as long as things remain that way they are here to stay. Maybe the future will bring more domed stadiums that will eliminate the problems with weather, but somehow I still feel that the atmosphere and excitement of a crowded arena packed with wrestling fans who all have a closer and better view of the action in the wrestling ring can never be duplicated in the huge football and baseball stadiums that must have a huge, flat surface in the middle.

In many stadiums, the ring if set in the middle is far from the seats in the stands. Most stadiums will not allow seats on the football or baseball playing surface itself because of possible damage.

Then the promoter may be forced to move his ring to one end of the stadium or the other, and thus he can really only utilize a portion of the seats in the stadium.

Even if he can use the playing surface, the seats are all on one level and only the first few rows offer a good view. In an arena the seats normally are gradually elevated so that every seat is a good one.

At times there are matches of such importance that no indoor arena can hold them. To avoid them a promoter must either go to an outdoor arena or to a closed circuit television set-up, and even though the television viewers are unable to actually see the live wrestling, it is my opinion that at this point closed circuit is preferable to outdoor arenas.

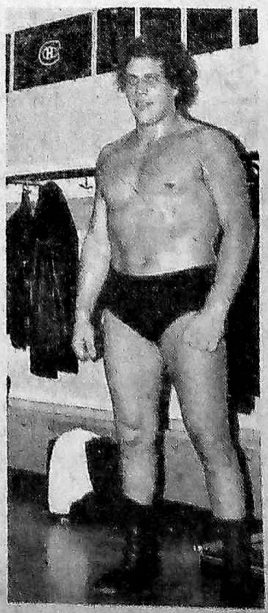
ASK WRESTLING REVUE

M.V. of Tampa recently asked who is the tallest wrestlers currently in action. This wasn't an easy question to answer as there are many wrestlers in the game who could be considered giants.

Some of the taller stars that are favorites of the fans are Big Luke Brown, Grizzly Smith, Don Leo Jonathan, Giant Baba, Plowboy Stan Frasier, Tex McKenzie, Bobo Brazil, and Lord Layton.

Some of the fellows who aren't too popular but none the less big stars are Ernie Ladd, Black Jack Mulligan, Killer Kowalski, Hans Hermann, Dr. Bill Miller, Black Jack Lanza, The Convict, and Johnny Quinn.

But the one wrestler who towers over them all is the French giant Jean Ferre. Big Jean stands at seven feet, four inches tall in his bare feet. In addition to his height, hapless ring foes must contend with his 415 pounds.



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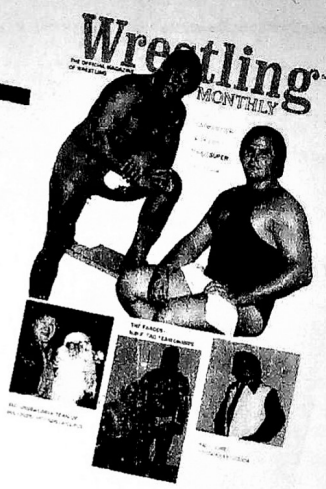

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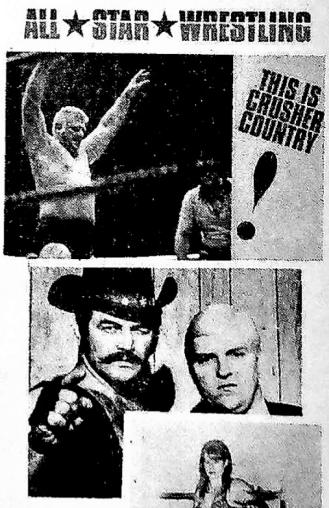

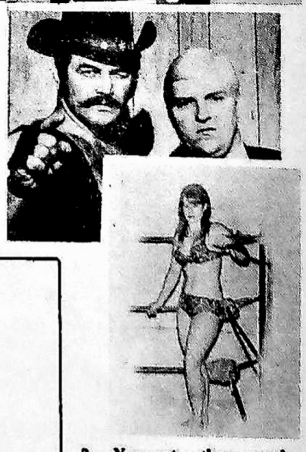

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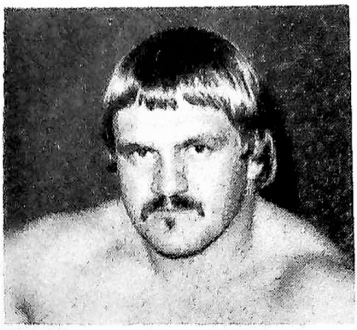

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Sirs:

I have just read the May 1972 issue of Wrestling Revue and I was so happy to see a story about Buddy Wolff. I had the honor of meeting this fine gentleman and found he is one of the nicest I have ever met. Not only is he interesting to talk to, but he is one of the finest wrestlers I have ever had the honor of seeing in the ring. If any wrestling fan wants to see action, just go and see Buddy Wolff and believe me you will not be disappointed.

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Sirs:

I believe you have a very good magazine. There is just one small problem. I have yet to see a single article on Jack Brisco. Jack Brisco is the greatest wrestler in the world and I'm not the only one who thinks so. Dory Funk Jr. said exactly that on national television and he's the world champ;

I also have a very large complaint about a story in your sister publication "Wrestling Monthly." In the Juli issue you made Jack sound like a bad sport. In the Mr. Wrestling story you acted as though Jack couldn't fight his way out of a paper bag. You said, and I quote, "This was the 5th time for Jack to receive a chance, (to wrestle Funk for the title) and like the others, he lost again." End quote. Now then, I would like to be quoted. . ."Jack Brisco has never been beaten by Funk, ever. In each match he has managed to weasle out of losing the title but he has never defeated Jack. And if Funk ever quits running and faces up to Jack he will no longer be the champ!!! So would you please, please do an article on Jack.

C. Gould
Ocala, Florida

PUT WRESTLING BACK ON TV

Sirs:

I read your splendid editorial in WRESTLING REVUE – "Can You Believe What You Read in the Newspapers?" with genuine interest. What you stated about newspaper coverage or mention of heavyweight wrestling is certainly true in Washington, D.C. with its three newspapers.

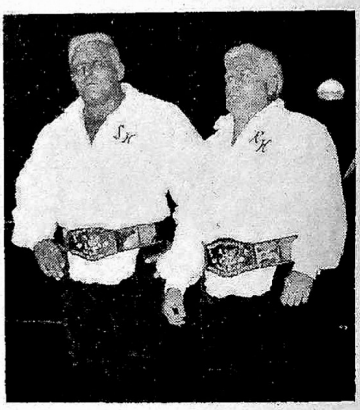
However, I am much more concerend about television stations in Washington, D.C., not carrying any wrestling. Wrestling From Washington, D.C. (the wrestling capitol of the world), was formerly presented live on Thursday evenings, 9-11 P.M. I could sit down and enjoy an evening of wrestling. The program was shifted to one hour on Saturday afternoon by tape; then to Saturday morning for one hour on tape. Now it is cancelled altogether.

I bet there are just as many wrestling fans as there are those who watch golf, tennis, basketball, to say nothing about baseball and football, all of which last at least two hours of live coverage. There are just as many breaks for commercials in a wrestling show as there are in the mediocre movies they grind out as infinitum.

Everywhere I read about the Rennaisance of Wrestling and how it is telecast in other large cities. Why is Washington, D.C., the exception? Is the lack of television coverage due to the TV stations or is it Mr. Vince McMahon's fault?

Paul D. Gable
Silver Spring, Maryland

(EDITOR'S NOTE: It is the television station and not Mr. McMahon who determines whether or not they carry wrestling. I am sure that Mr. Mahon is working hard right now to bring you more wrestling both on television and in the arenas in your area.



DON'T NEGLECT HAWK & HANSON

Sirs:

I am writing about a letter in your Reader's Pros and Cons section in the Aug. 72 issue. It was written by a person by the name of Mendon Gilbert saying that the AWA stars are better than all the other wrestlers. Ha! The best wrestler is in the NWA area. His name is Rip Hawk. He also has the world's best manager, Playboy Gary Hart. Also, he has the world's greatest tag partner, Swede Hanson. There are other great grapplers in the NWA such as the Missouri Mauler, Ole & Gene Anderson, Brute Bernard, Matti Suzuke, Rock Hunter, and the Royal Kangaroos, (Lord Jonathan Boyd and Norman Fredrick Charles III). I could go on and on, but I won't. I have been reading letters written by other people saying that they have the best wrestlers in their area. Well, I have

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THE MANAGER'S CORNER!...

By GENTLEMAN SAUL WEINGEROFF

I would like to thank the Wrestling Fans International Association and their executive director, Don Wilson, for voting me the 1972 Manager of the Year. This valuable trophy was presented to me in Southern California at the awards banquet in Santa Monica.

Joe Ball, Louisville policeman, is now wrestling for Phil Golden and All Star Wrestling Promotions in Tennessee, Alabama and Kentucky.

The Von Brauner Brothers, world tag team champs, gave Len Rossi a rough time in Jackson, Tenn., recently.

Jerry Jarrett and Tojo will team up again, now that Jerry's arm is better.

After thirty-five years of promoting wrestling in the South, Nick Gulas and Roy Welsh have competition from Phil Golden, who has opened offices in Louisville, Ky., and Nashville, Tenn. Phil Golden, as the No. 2 wrestling office, says he will try harder. He promises to bring the best talent available. He has signed world champs Karl and Kurt Von Brauner and myself, also Mike Pappas, Bobby Hart and Lorenzo Parente, plus many more.

Wrestling competition in promotions is good for the fans. Each promoter will have to give the fans the best and each will try to outdo the other.

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Jerry Lawler, who illustrated The Patriot for our sister publication WRESTLING MONTHLY, sent us this cartoon of Gentleman Saul.

Jerry Jarrett and Tojo Yamamoto, popular Tag Team.

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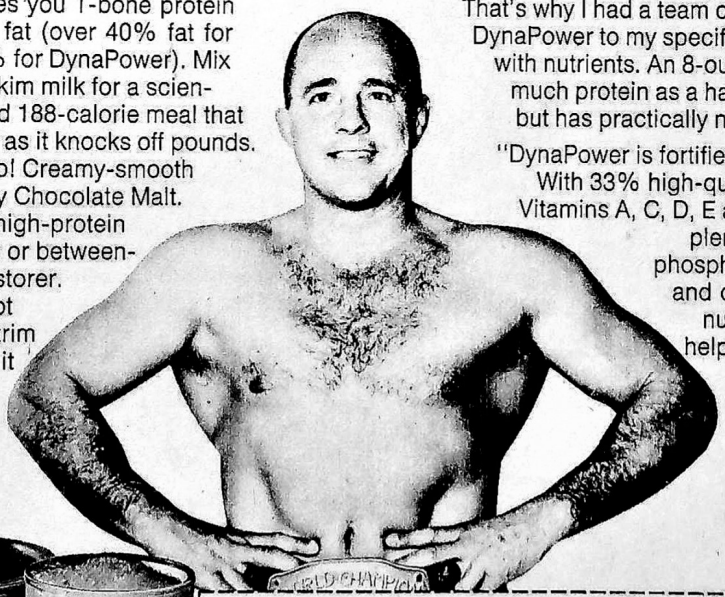

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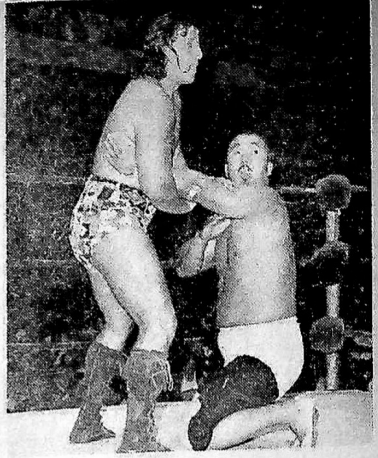


Chief Jay Strongbow has Mr. Fuji at a disadvantage with an arm bar.

The Grand Wizzard Leads Them To W.W.W.F. Tag Team Title!

By BRENDA HAMMER

The Grand Wizard has guided Tanaka and Fuji to The W.W.W.F. World Tag Team Title.

Little did Mr. Fuji realize as he traveled to Texas that shortly he would form a very successful team with a very famous countryman of his, obtain the services of one of the most famous maangers in the wrestling game, and go on to win the world tag team title.

But let's turn back the clock to October, 1970, when Prof. Tanaka invaded Texas in order to avenge a previous defeat he had suffered at the hands of popular German star, Fritz Von Erich. Tanaka arrived in the Lone Star State with an outstanding international reputation but soon found out that the Texas promoters were unimpressed. He was told that although his record was very outstanding, this was Texas, where each wrestler has to back up his boasts in the squared circle. Even though he wanted to avenge his honor against Fritz Von Erich, he would have to prove himself worthy of a main event against the long established Texas headliner.

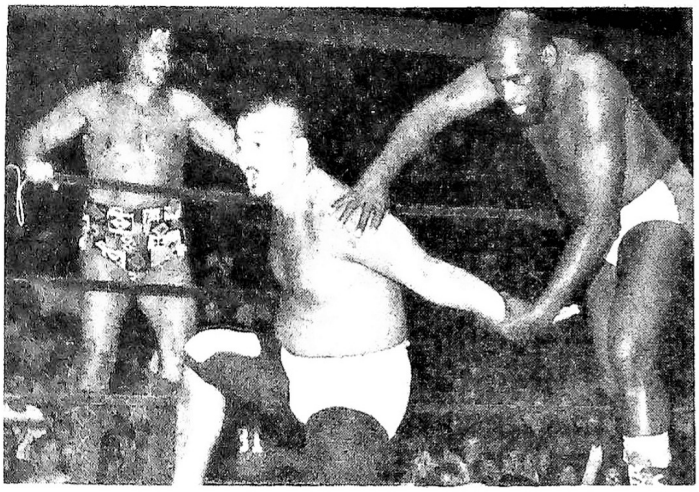
The promoters and fans alike were amazed at how coldy and successfully Prof. Tanaka set about his task. He plowed through a series of preliminary stars without hardly working up a sweat. Hardly an opponent was able to last more than ten minutes with the big Oriental, who used a whirlwind attack that combined judo with the wild and wooly Texas version of pro wrestling. Among the stars that fell in his initial campaign were Jack Sanders, Tiger Conway, Bennie Matta, and Terry Garvin. Having proved to the promoters that his reputation was well earned, he was moved to main events.

It was at this time that he formed quite a successful team with huge Pole, Killer Kowalski. Teams were completely overcome by one of the most devastating teams in wrestling history. Prof. Tanaka and the Killer parted ways when Kowalski left the state.

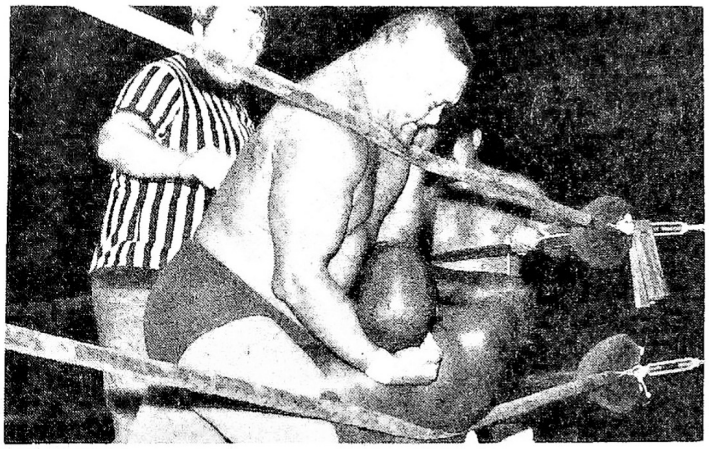
The big Japanese star finally got his wish and received some bouts with arch-rival Fritz Von Erich. The two big grapplers put on some of the wildest brawls ever staged in a Texas ring. Both men inflicted much punishment and shed a lot of blood. Their feud became so torrid that they agreed to face each other any place, at any price, with or without team partners.

Tanaka didn't confine his particular brand of ring violence to Fritz alone, he faced all the top stars that were active in Texas rings. Among the stars he battled his way to victory over were Thunderbolt Patterson, Bobby Shane, George Scott, Tim Woods, Mil Mascaras, Wahoo McDaniel, and Johnny Valentine.

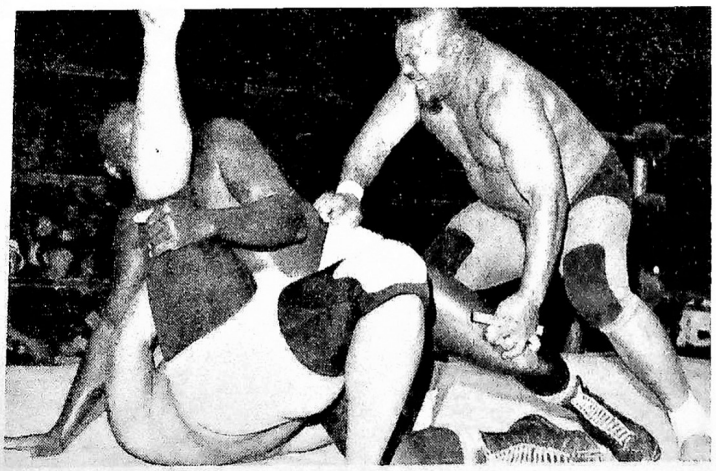
His matches with masked Mexican star Mil Mascaras were especially noteworthy. The matches were extremely colorful, pitting the high-flying tactics of the masked fans' favorite against the bulldozing Prof. In fact, after one expecially torrid match with Tanaka, Mascaras was out of action for quite a few weeks after being struck in the throat. The blow was so devastating that Mascaras not only was out of action but he also almost lost his speaking voice. Tanaka couldn't believe it when Mascaras asked for a rematch. He was quoted in



Sonny King works on the arm of Mr. Fuji as Strongbow looks on.



Prof. Tanaka chokes Sonny King along the ropes.



Prof. Tanaka moves in to break up a pin attempt by Sonny King.

the Ft. Worth wrestling program: "This man must be crazy. I finish him for good next time we meet. Why must I always convince these men two times that I superior wrestler?"

Prof. Tanaka also found time to team with former foe Thunderbolt Patterson to win the American Tag Team Title from Johnny Valentine and Wahoo McDaniel. Although they held the title for only a short time, they were an extremely effective combination.

In the meantime Mr. Fuji invaded Texas in December of 1971 with the same goal that Tanaka originally had in mind, to avenge a previous defeat suffered at the hands of Fritz Von Erich.

Mr. Fuji also had to prove himself in preliminaries before getting a chance to avenge his honor. He chopped down George Scott, Mark Starr, Ramon Lopez, and Bennie Matta in a style that reminded Texas fans of Tanaka.

By a strange twist of fate Mr. Fuji also was matched against Tanaka's arch-rival, Mil Mascaras. Much to the dismay of Texas fans Fuji won the wild battle when Mascaras was disqualified.

Shortly after this Prof. Tanaka and Mr. Fuji decided they could accomplish their goals much easier and effectively by working together as a team.

The two Orientals decided to invade the rich East Coast wrestling area, finding that Texas tag teams wanted no part of them. One of the first things they did was to acquire the services of the world-famous wrestling manager The Grand Wizard. Taking on the Wizard as manager served a double purpose for Tanaka and Fuji. First, they wanted someone who could effectively speak for them and get them the right money and opponents who would be good stepping stones in their quest for the tag team title. Secondly the Wixard had proved his worth with other grapplers. Most recently he had guided the team of Handsome Jimmy Valiant and Beautiful Bobby.

It didn't take long before the new team was the talk of the East Coast wrestling scene. Many teams that had fallen to defeat at their hands claimed the two ring villains made use of illegal tactics to gain their victories. Many claimed that every time Tanaka or Fuji

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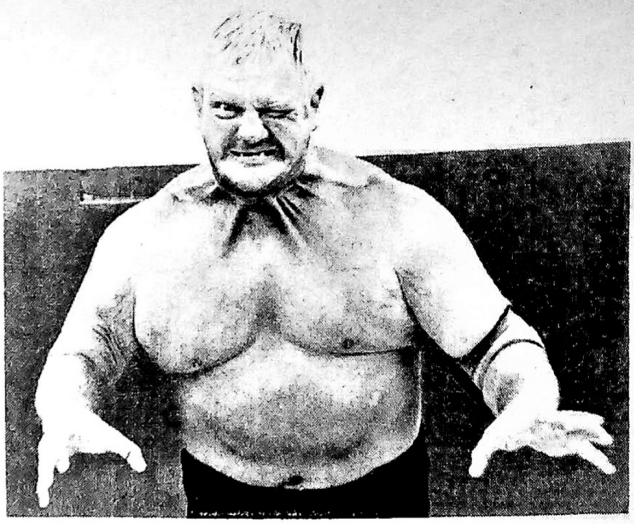
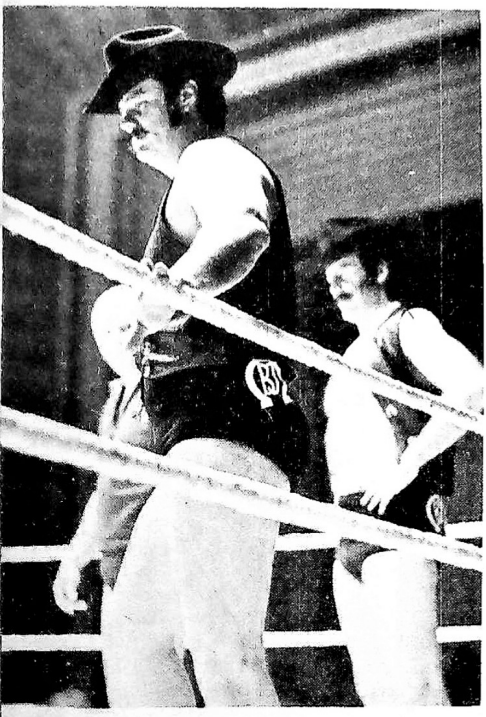
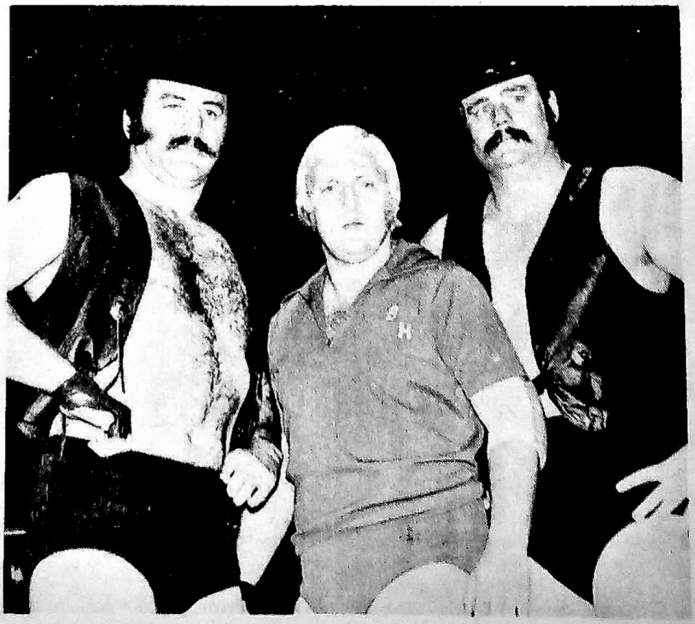
Dick the Bruiser is called the most dangerous man in wrestling.



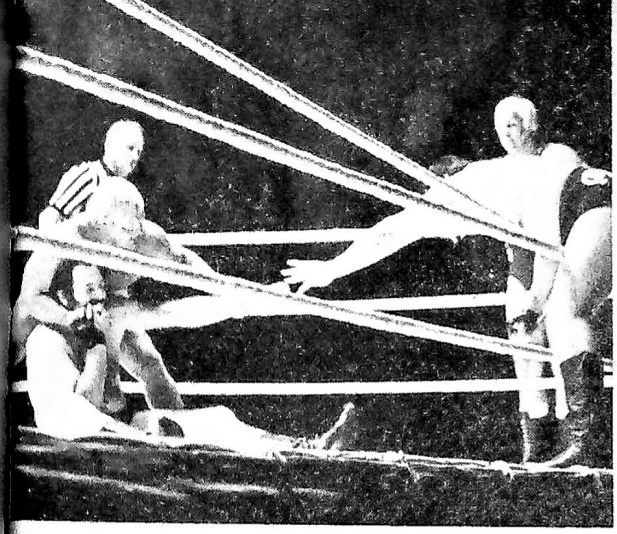
THREE CHEERS FOR BLACK AND BLUE-BRUISER STYLE



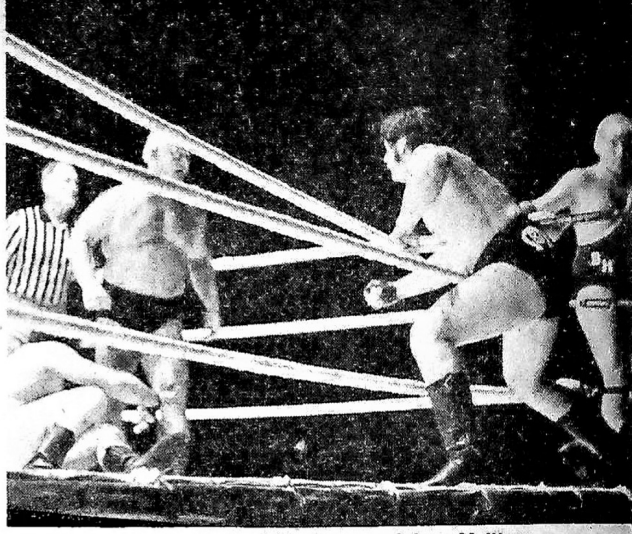
Pretty Boy Bobby Heenan and his world famous Black Jacks in the Kiel Auditorium ring.



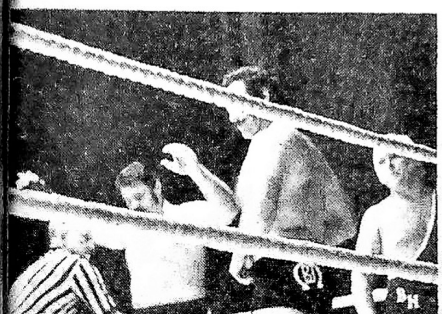
Black Jack Lanza, Bobby Heenan and Black Jack Mulligan.



Lanza tries to escape from The Bruiser and tag off to Mulligan.



The Bruiser stands over the fallen Lanza and dares Mulligan to enter the ring.



The referee checks out the tights of Mulligan before the battle begun.

By CHRIS ANTHONY
Photos By G.R. ANTHONY

If you kept a set of books, recording the win-loss record of Dick the Bruiser, you would have one skinny little book with a single sheet of almost blank paper in it. That would be the book containing dates, names of cities, and names of opponents who have racked up a victory over the world's most dangerous wrestler. If you look at it often, you are probably a victim of snowblindness.

On the other hand, if you have ever tried to carry around the book in which the record of his wins is kept (so that you could brag to everyone about your favorite wrestler), you are probably a victim of torn ligaments and pulled muscles. The Indianapolis telephone book is a mere pamphlet alongside this one.

Anyway, you wouldn't be telling wrestling fans anything new – everybody who knows anything at all about wrestling, knows all about the one-man football team, the bulldozer, block-and-tacke, cyclone, thunder and lightening tactics of Dick the Bruiser.

He can best be described as an animated time bomb, constructed so as to explode at whatever unexpected time the mood strikes him. And when he does, bodies and fragments thereof can be observed flying about the premises.

Bruiser's first love – long before football and wrestling in turn possessed him (or he possessed them, one of the two), was fighting just for the sheer joy of letting off steam. Just any old big, rough, tough loudmouth would put a gleam in his eye and a grin on his face and he'd be ready for action.

So when smooth-talking, Wall Street-type manager for the deadly Blackjacks, Gorgeous, Pretty Face or whatever he calls himself, Bobby Heenan, gave St. Louis wrestling promoter Sam Muchnick a call and said his team had issued a challenge to any tag team in the world, Bruiser happened to be in Muchnick's office and overheard half of the conversation.

He gave signs of exploding right then and there. "Oh no they don't," he roared. "No teams, no body, no nothin', till I get a crack at them!" So Bruiser issued a challenge to the pack of them, 260 lb. Blackjack Lanza, 305 lb. Blackjack Mulligan, and, "Heenan can put on trunks and join in the fun too," bellowed Bruiser.

It had started months before, a vicious feud between Lanza and Bruiser. But just about three weeks prior to the challenge-issuing, Bruiser and Pat O'Connor were involved in a tag team fracas with Lanza and Pak-Son. Bruiser pinned Pak-Son for the third and deciding fall, earning a well-deserved victory for himself and O'Connor. The match was theirs and that was that. Any wrestler with an ounce of decency would have left the ring once the referee's decision had been announced and the victors' hands raised.

A wrestler with an ounce of decency would have done that, but do you know what Blackjack Lanza did? Sneak attack scarcely describes what he did. Catching Bruiser off guard in his moment of triumph, he upended him, stunned him with a piledriver, beat him, stomped and kicked him all over the ring.

While fans like to think of Bruiser of being invincible in the face of any odds, he is, after all, a human being. When you get smashed in the head with 250 lbs. (in this case with his own weight) and to top it off you can't see the back-stabber who did it to you, you're bound to get a little groggy. Believe me, it would have killed a lesser man.

When the lights quit flashing and the cymbals quit clanging in Bruiser's head, he came up fighting. Only Lanza

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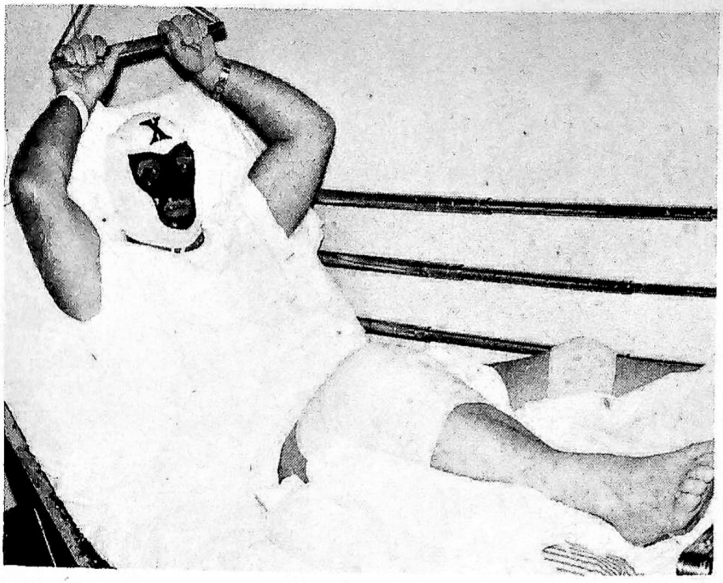
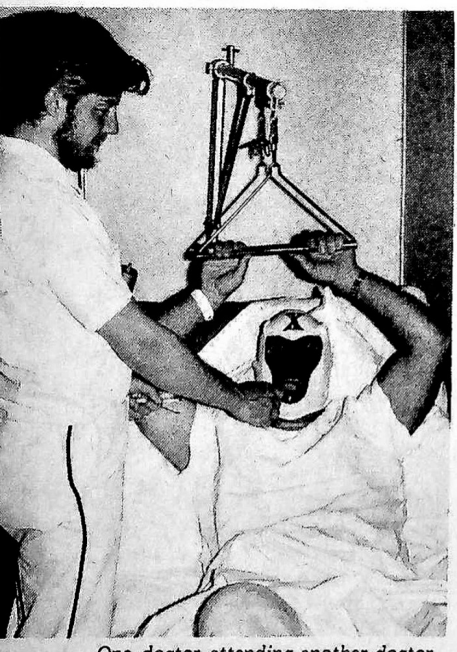


Doctor "X" spent several months with a cast on his leg, much of that time in the hospital, after the leg was broken by Ray Stevens.

WHY DOCTOR "X" WANTS TO SEND RAY STEVENS TO THE HOSPITAL



One doctor attending another doctor. "X" exercised his arms and tried to keep in shape even while in the hospital.

By JAMES C. MELBY
Photos By G.R. ANTHONY
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About a year ago a midwest promoter matched the mysterious masked man of wrestling Dr. X and Ray Stevens for a main event. He knew both men were excellent wrestlers and would draw an excellent house. What he didn't know was that he was about to start one of the most bloody and wildest feuds since the McCoys and the Hatfields.

Not one bout or several solved who was the superior of the two ring stars. Each match increased in wild action. The masked man and the blond bomber from California often couldn't contain their battles to the confines of the squared circle and brought their own private war onto the arena floor and into the crowd.

Each man gained his share of victories but neither was really satisfied that he had proved his superiority to the other. But the promoters were only too happy to match the two wildcats.

Finally Dr. X challenged Stevens, who is one half of the A.W.A. World Tag Team Champions with fellow Californian Nick Bockwinkel, to a match to be televised on the A.W.A.'s All Star Wrestling Television Network. Dr. X said in his prematch statement that he wanted to soundly defeat his blond rival in front of as many fans as possible.

Ray Stevens reluctantly agreed and the match was set for one fall to a finish. When Stevens showed up in the ring for his big grudge battle, he was accompanied by his good friend and tag team partner Nick Bockwinkel. Dr. X appeared in the ring minus a second but never the less extremely confident and ready for the battle of the century.

For all out action the t.v. battle even surpassed previous struggles. Dr. X started the bout out quick, taking his blond antagonist to the mat with a series of lightning fast armdrags. Each time the fans' favorite tried to follow

Somehow it is hard to feel too sorry for our masked hero when you note the beautiful nurse who attended to his needs.

up his advantage with a bone breaking armlock, Stevens would eye gouge his way out. Stevens tried to follow up his advantage with an armlock of his own but the good doctor easily reversed it. Stevens escaped by going to the ropes and the referee called for the manditory break.

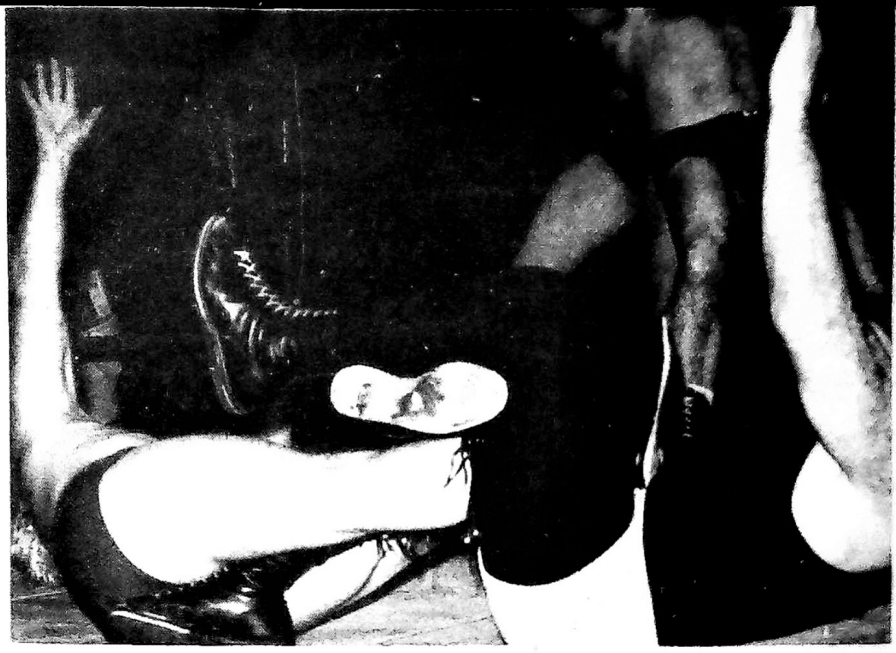
The match suddenly picked up in tempo, both grapplers seemed anxious for an early victory. Stevens picked the masked man up and slamed him to the canvas with such violence that the ring shuddered as if it were about to cave in. Amazingly Dr. X got up from the mat with fire in his eyes and returned the favor. Stevens momentarily laid on the mat holding his back in agony. The crowd in the t.v. studio roared its delight at the plight of the arrogant blond.

Both men got to their feet and hooked up in the traditional referees' lock. Stevens grabbed X by the mask and wrapped him tightly in a side headlock. Straining to escape X grabbed Stevens around the waist and threw him into the ropes. Dr. X immediately threw himself at the ropes on the opposite side of the ring. When the two battlers collided Dr. X was prepared and he literally upbended Stevens, sending him high into the air. In fact the t.v. commentator was afraid that Stevens was going to bring down the ring lights.

Stevens was clearly in a bad way. Dr. X immediately charged him and

Ray Stevens is choking Doctor "X" in the corner of the ring and talking to distract referee George Gadaski at the same time. This match was one of the first for the masked man when he returned to action.

Here Doctor "X" is about to clamp on his dreaded figure four leg grapevine. Stevens escaped this time, but the masked man has vowed that before he is done Stevens is going to suffer from a broken leg also.



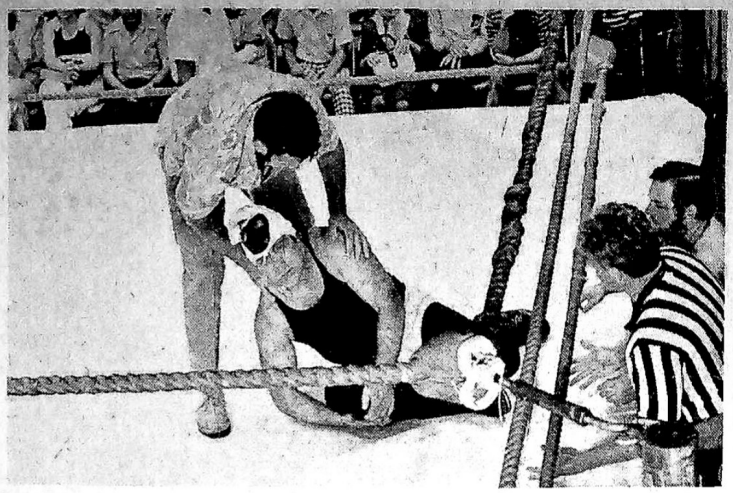
This is an excellent view of what many say is the most dangerous hold in wrestling. Here Doctor "X" has Ray Stevens during a tag team match,

This photo is from the television match that saw Stevens break X's leg. In the early going The Doctor had the upper hand.

wrapped him in his world famous figure four leglock, which he offers a thousand dollars to anyone, amateur or pro, who can break it once it is properly applied. When X firmly secured his famous finishing hold, Stevens' cry of agony could be clearly heard. With a superhuman effort Stevens maanged to slide his torso to the ropes and force a break on the hold. As Stevens got to his feet, it was quite evident that he was favoring his legs.

Dr. X closed in trying to once again trap Stevens in his favorite finishing hold. That is where X made his fatal mistake. The cagey veteran from California had been playing posum and he opened up with a ferocious attack. In a matter of seconds Stevens broke just about every rule in the book. He even went so far as to bite the popular masked man in the forehead.

During some wild ring action, X was thrown from the ring, on his way out his bacame entangled in the bottom two ring ropes. Hanging there X was completely at the mercy of his foe. As the referee tried to free X, Stevens jumped from the ring and attacked his helpless opponent. He grabbed the bell from the commentator's table and repeatedly slammed it across X's legs. Stevens then jumped back into the ring and up onto the top rope from which he decended with his famous "Bomb's away on X's leg. The ref had no other choice but to stop the bout as X couldn't defend himself and award the match to Stevens.



Billy Robinson came into the ring to help Doctor "X" after the masked man's leg was broken. Note that X was in such pain that he pushed up his mask and revealed most of his face.

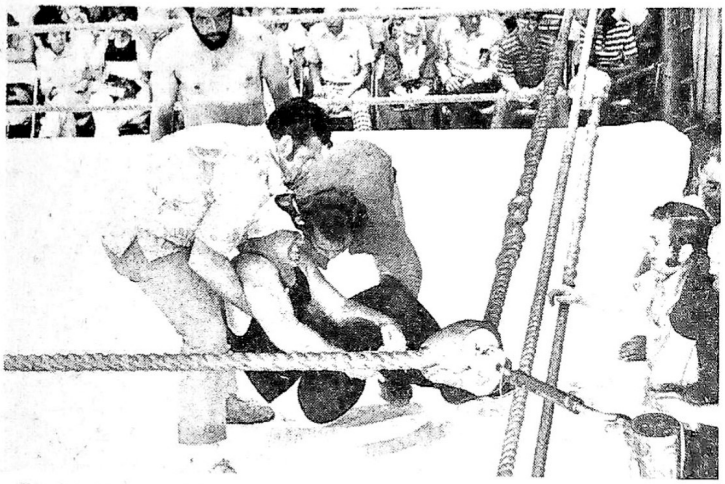
Dr. X was so out of his mind with pain that he tore his mask from his fac. X had to be carried from the ring and was taken to a hospital. While all this was going on Stevens was struting around the ring like a proud peacock, being congratulated by Nick Bockwinkel.

As a result of the match Dr. X suffered a broken leg and was out of action for quite a few months. All the time he was recovering, all he could think about was getting Stevens back into the ring and gaining revenge. Dr. X not only thought about the pain he had to endure but also the financial loss he suffered as a result of not being able to wrestle.

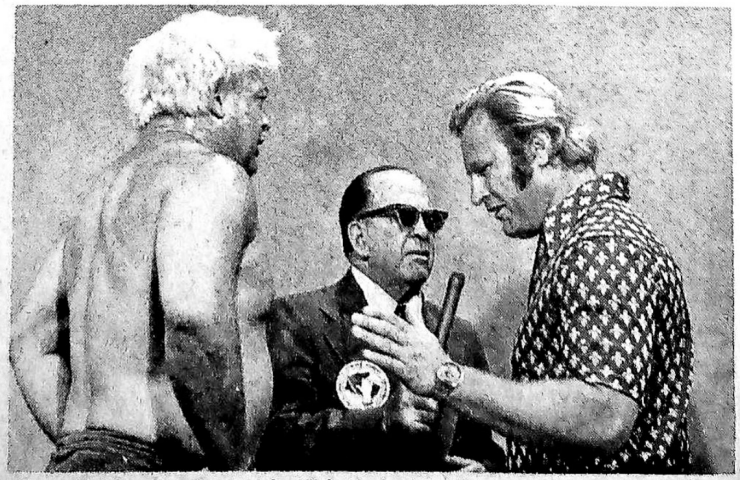
At the time of the writing Dr. X has once again returned to the ring wars and renewed his feud with Stevens. Nothing has yet been definitely settled but fans have been treated to some very exciting ring action.

Dr. X in a television has vowed to get the figure four on Stevens in the middle of the ring and not release it until Stevens has to make a trip to the hospital. X also implied that if necessary that he might return to his former villanous style and even make use of foreign objects.

Stevens on the other hand wants no part of the irate masked man. Stevens says he has already beaten him decisively and sees no need for a rematch. Stevens furthermore says he wants no part of a man that has publicly boasted that he intends to cripple him and even bring weapons into the ring to do it.



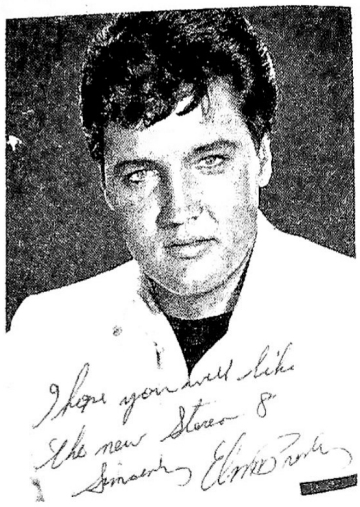
X had to be carried from the ring by several wrestlers. A visit to the emergancy room of a nearby hospital resulted in X-Rays showing a broken leg.



Immediately after the match, Nick Bockwinkel brags to TV announcer Marty O'Neill about how Ray Stevens has just destroyed the famous Doctor "X".

THE TREACHEROUS ONE

Elvis Presley's Favorite Wrestler



Treach Phillip's good friend Elvis Presley.

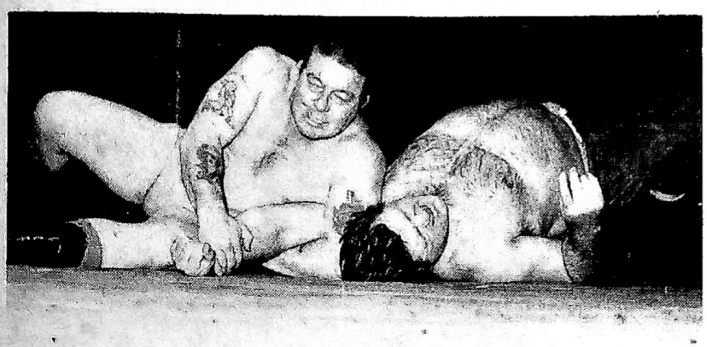
By G.R. ANTHONY

Elvis Presley would probably have gone into provessional wrestling if he had not become such a smash success as a singer," claims a friend of his named Treach Phillips.

Treach was wrestling in the Memphis area when Elvis was discharged from the Army and, through a member of the Presley entourage, he was invited to Elvis's home as a guest. At that time (roughly 15 years ago), Memphis was the hotbed of professional wrestling.

"Elvis loves wrestling," said Treach. "He's a great fan, and he likes my style of wrestling." The two have remained friendly throughout the years, though each has been on the go the majority of the time since then.

Treach began wrestling at the Columbus, Ohio, YMCA when he was



These two shots show Treach working over Bull Bullinski during a bout in Winnipeg.

Treach has Bullinski, the former truck driver, down for a pin.

a youngster. He wasn't so big at that time, so he had to learn to compensate for his size by being faster and rougher and tougher than anyone they put in the ring with him.

He acquired his nickname "Treach" from opponents back in those early days. "Watch out for the little guy," they would say. "He looks like he'd be easy, but then you never know where he's gonna be or what he's gonna do – he's TREACHEROUS!"

As soon as he was old enough, Treach enlisted in the Navy. There he spent every free minute away from duty in the gym, working out. He particiapted in Navy smokers aboard ship or on base. These are athletic competitions held as part of the servicemen's recreational program. Some men like to sit and watch others perform on stage, movie screen or television set, or engage in athletic competition such as boxing, wrestling or various ball games.

Some men like to do, rather than just sit and watch. Treach is a doer. He was involved in wrestling, weight-lifting, gymnastics, and throughout his life he's been a bicycle rider. Have you ever seen a six-day bicycle race? What a grueling, torturous man-killers they are.

But bike races didn't enter into Treach's career at that point. He was on the move constantly, but it was a ship that carried him around the world, not a bicycle. He wrestled in Cuba several times. That was back in the days when Batista was in power.

Treach was a Jr. Heavyweight in those days, not a treacherously deceptive lightweight as before. But his opponents clung to the monicker "Treach," because it was the same as always, he was rough and tough, and if an opponent thought he had an easy match, he was in for a big surprise.

His ship took him to Japan, the Philippines, China, Vietnam, Corregidor, Guam, Okinawa and Hawaii. Treach has wrestled in every one of those places in Navy athletic competition. His skill and determination paid off for him. He was the All-Navy Jr. Heavyweight Wrestling Champion in 1959.

When his ship crossed the equator (just once), he was initiated into the Order of Neptune, the Domain of Neptunis Rex. Neptune, according to ancient Roman mythology, is the god of the sea. What his initiation consisted of has never been quite clear. Treach Phillips can face the likes of the Crusher, Dick the Bruiser, Billy Robinson or Verne Gagne, and go into the match without a qualm, confident that he has every bit as much chance as they have to win the match. "But I'll never cross the equator again," said Treach. "Never! No way!"

Once his Navy days were behind him, he stepped right into the field of professional wrestling without the long struggle to get established and get his name known to promoters that many youngsters have. He'd had his trial by fire during all those matches while in the Navy, and he'd emerged a champion in the Jr. Heavyweight Division. All that was necessary now was to get his weight up so that he could meet on equal ground the heavyweights he would wrestle throughout his professional career.

Proper diet and rigorous training paid off. Though but 5'7", Treach weighs 226 lbs. now, and every ounce

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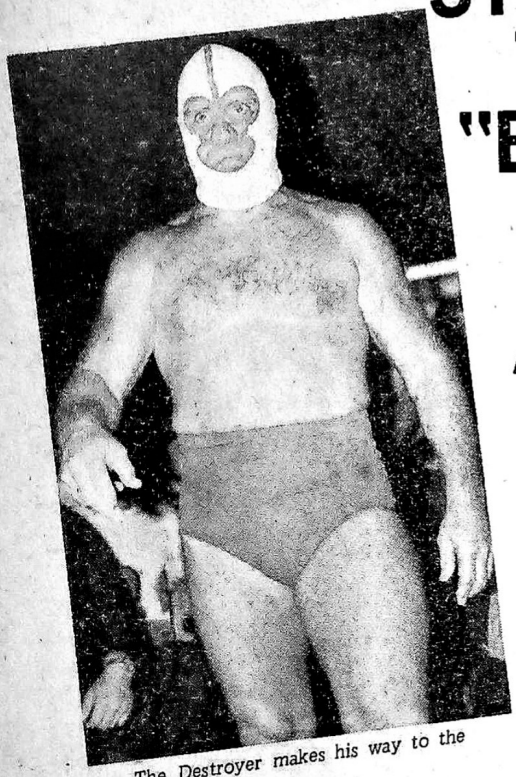
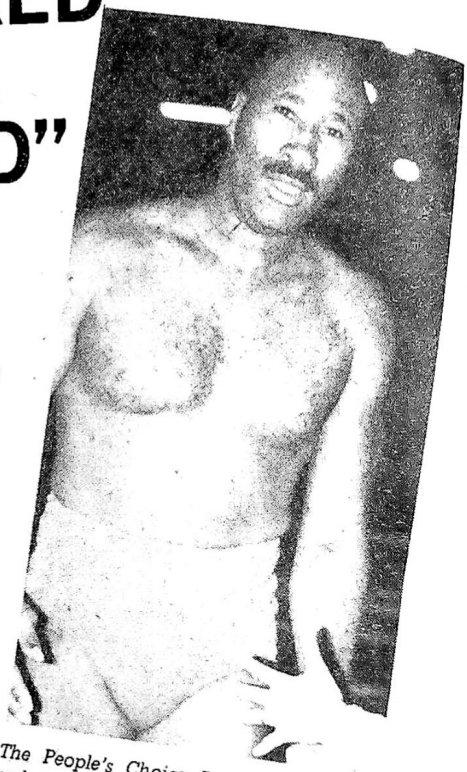
THE NIGHT "THE CAT" STALKED THE "BIG D"

A Match Los Angeles Fans Can't Forget!

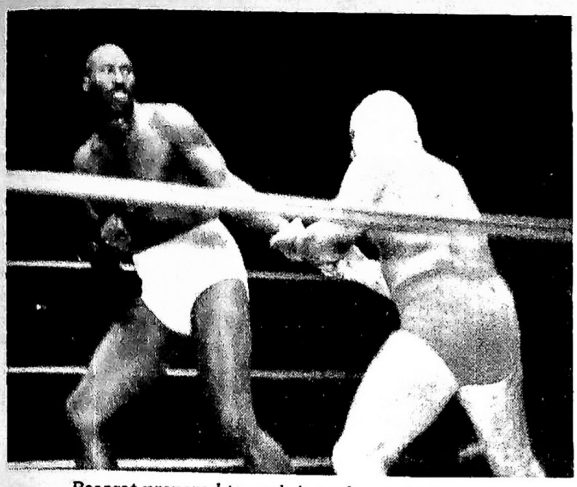


The Destroyer makes his way to the ring.



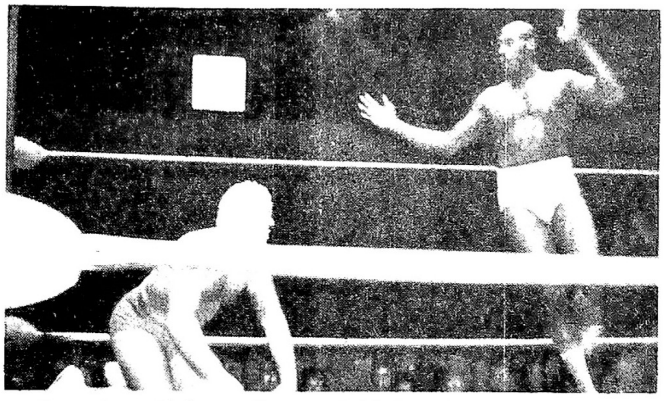
The People's Choice Bearcat Wright makes his way to the ring.

The Destroyer simply can't believe the decision.



Bearcat prepared to sock it to the masked man.

The Destroyer thinks he has everything under control.



Bearcat's world famous Bump and Grind routine seems to have The Destroyer dazed.

By DAN WESTBROOK

In a cold evening last November, Los Angeles wrestling fans were rather lucky to witness a battle between two of wrestling's biggest names. Promoter Mike LaBell, newly elected vice-president of the N.W.A., signed up The Intelligent Sansational Destroyer against Bearcat Wright! This wasn't just an ordinary wrestling match, as the fans would attest to the fact that both men hadn't wrestled in the Los Angeles area for several years. It's no big secret that Bearcat and Destroyer have no love for each other, but there's more to it than that.

The story goes back to 1963 when the tremendously popular Bearcat Wright held the W.W.A.. (Worldwide Wrestling Associates) World Wrestling title. The Cat was the kind of Champion the fans could be proud of. His wrestling style was a bit different than that of other competitors of the ring. The fans were behind him 100%. The gentle giant of the ring didn't care whom he wrestled, as long as he came out the victor. Another gentleman by the name of The Destroyer decided that he was the man to end Wright's title reign. And, so starts the Wright-Destroyer feud. Bearcat is such a friendly guy that rarely would he even harm a fly. However, when pushed byond his breaking point (and every man has one–, he becomes a wild bear (thus the name Bearcat).

The Bearcat defeated The Destroyer, to the delight of the fans, and The Big D left the area. Bearcat later lost and won and lost back the W.W.A. title to Fearless Freddie Blassie, the blond badman of the mat. The fans were very sorry to see the amiable Wright leave the area, but like the saying goes, "An area is only big enough for one man." The L.A. fans saw Bearcat only one more time in 1966. LaBell signed up one of the biggest tag team bouts in history – Bearcat and Bobo Brazil vs. Killer Austin and El Mongol for the W.W.A. World Tag Team Championship. The Cat and Bobo were disqualified in the 3rd fall for "excessive roughness." No wonder, with maniacs like Austin and Mongol on their backs, something had to give! So, Wright left the area again. He found Honolulu, Hawaii, to his liking. The Hawaiians will never regret the Bearcat leaving the Mainland to wrestle on the Islands.

Promoter Mike LaBell decided to give the Bearcat a chance to redeem himself to the L.A. fans. He phoned

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GUST KARRAS..

THE REAL GOLDEN GREEK OF WRESTLING!

By DIANE DEVINE

Have you given much thought to what prompts you to attend professional wrestling? If you continue going week after week, there is a good reason! A successful promotion gives fans the action they want by matching the wrestlers they ask for.

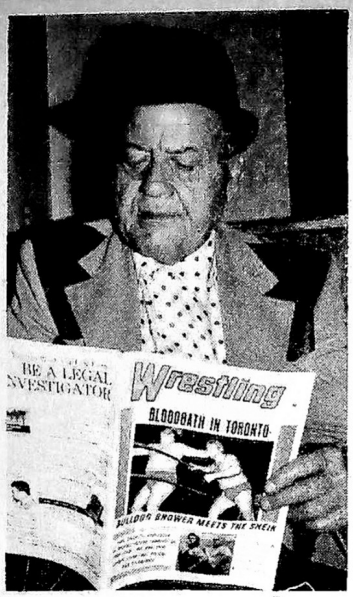
Kansas City, Kansas, has long been noted for outstanding wrestlers and tremendous matches. There was no exception to this rule the night I visited Memorial Hall. However, the star attraction to me was not in the squared circle. At the back of the building near the stage, surrounded by fans was the individual responsible for making fans happy, the promoter!

How many promoters are willing to sit in the audience and chat with their customers? I was simply amazed with my observation in Kansas City. I had to know more about THIS man, Mr. Gust Karras.

After contacting Mr. Karras for an interview several days later, I was his guest at the matches in Sedalia, Missouri. Again, I witnessed him talking to the fans, taking time to listen to each one. He is indeed loved by all.

The story of Gust Karras is something each person could learn much from. He is a very wise and wonderful man. Taking me to a small room in the auditorium, he began talking as we sat at a table.

Back in his native Greece you were drafted into the Army at age 19. "In those days you received one dollar a month for training," Gust told me. Because his father was against the



Wrestling Hall of Fame member Gust Karras reads a copy of our magazine.

draft and his son being in the service, Gust decided to leave the country.

So with nine dollars in his pocket the young boy of 15 left home. With no job and unable to speak English, he traveled to Chicago. The day he hit the big city there was a heavy snow on the ground. He found a place to stay, renting a room for a mere fifty cents per week!

In 1919 he witnessed his first wrestling match sitting in the balcony. Blessed with a strong, stocky build, he jointed the YMCA at the age of 16 and learned to wrestle. The following year Gust joined the Greek Olympic as an amateur, wrestling for four years. He won several titles between the age of 18 and 22. A very good wrestler he tried out for the Olympics but lost in the finals. Thus he decided to turn pro at the age of 23.

In April, 1923 Gust was offered a job in the Robin Brothers Circus as a wrestler meeting all comers. He traveled eleven seasons with the circus, wrestling twice a day in the afternoon and night all over the country. He met rough competition but he will tell you today, no life compares to living with the circus and the education you get from experience with people.

In 1926 Gust was in Fort Worth, Texas. Here he wrestled Joe "Toots" Mondt. During the bout he suffered two torn cartilages in his right leg. This injury cost him one year out of competition.

During the depression year of 1929, Mr. Karras landed in Missouri. He promoted in the small towns of Chillicothe, Kirksville and Trenton during winter months. The summer was spent wrestling in the circus.

The circus was forced out of business because of the depression in 1931. So the energetic Greek went full time into the field of promoting. At this time St. Joseph, Missouri, had several promoters but none successful. The reason?

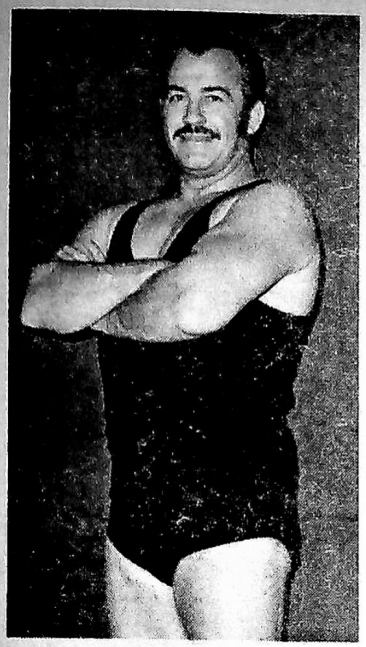
"Because use of too many subsitutions. In 1932 I took over promotion in St. Joe. Still promoting it after 40 years of steady promoting."

Karras continued: "1956 I bought part of Kansas City promotions, running Kansas City, Missouri, Wichita, Kansas and Sedalia, Missouri. Plus many small towns.

To be a successful promoter you must know everything from putting up and taking down ring, to writing publicity. Know wrestlers' ability to make right matches. And most important. . .be a very good public relations man. Try to combine all these things. I will say it worked wonders for me.

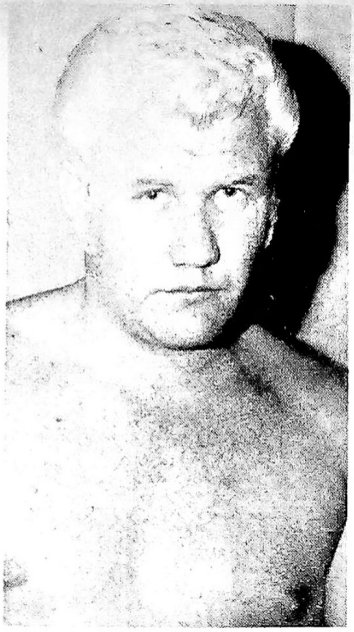
"After 40 years of promoting I will say that I have a success and success due to honesty with people, and

Pat O'Connor, the former N.W.A. World's Heavyweight Champion, is one of the top drawing cards in Karras' area.



Fellow St. Joseph native Ronnie Etchison is one of the many great wrestling stars who got their start wrestling under the banner of Karras.

Over the years Texas Bob Geigel has been one of the top wrestlers to appear under the Karras promotional banner.



Handsome Harley Race is one wrestler that Karras can always count on to draw an SRO attendance.

One of the most popular favorites currently appearing on the cards of Gust Karras is Danny Little Bear.

Black wrestling star Rufus R. Jones is one grappler who fans in the heart of America have taken to heart, much to the benefit of Gust Karras.

treating the public fair. Ask their opinion. People like to talk to you. Never get too tired to stop and talk to your customers. The biggest thrill is to be in this business and to be a success. And to accomplish this you must be alert at all times.

"In the span of time from 1932 I have discovered and trained some of the top wrestlers in the country, who have made news all over the world: 1938 – Ronnie Etchinson, age 18, won Golden Gloves Tournament. Decided to become wrestler. I took him into gym. After five months he was ready to wrestle but local boys must go out of town. At age 51 he is still a great competitor; 1944 – started Sonny Myers. Considered top attraction in his day. Has headlined every city in country. Four years ago he decided to retire and was elected sheriff of Buchanan County, St. Joseph, Missouri; 1951 – Discovered two brothers who are top attraction, Larry and Joey Hamilton.

"Today I have trained one good youngster, Mike George, 6'1", 235 pounds, of St. Joseph. Was high school state champion." (At the time of this interview, George was working in the Atlanta, Georgia area.)

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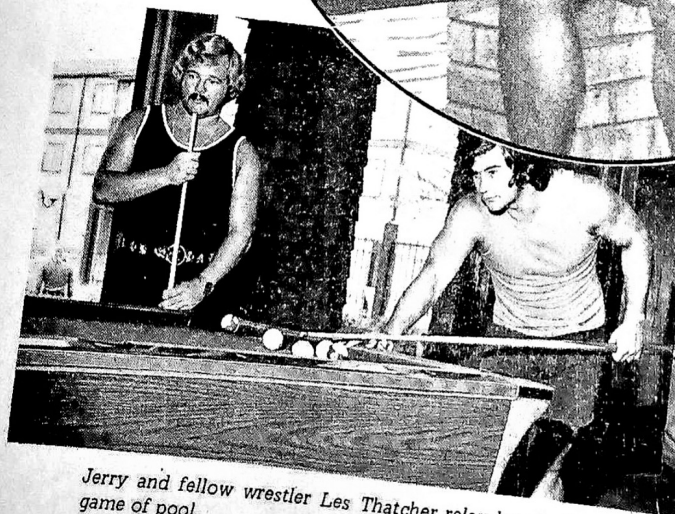
Jack and Jerry Brisco, one of the most popular tag teams in the country.

Jerry also often teams with popular Canadian star Sandy Scott.



Jerry and fellow wrestler Les Thatcher relax by playing a game of pool.

The very popular Jerry with two of his lovely lady admirers.

JERRY BRISCO

A Wrestler Who Spells Class

By GENE GORDON

The young woman, who's almost always wearing a bright, multi-colored bikini, flashed me a big smile and says, "Yes, this is the place." She invites me in, shows me the living room, and exits back into the depths of the fabulous apartment, her motor still running. The retreating view is enough to make me forget why I'm here.

And now, left alone with the sounds of "Rare Earth" blasting in my head from a stero complex next to the fireplace, I', sitting on a plush white leather couch which turns vivid colors from the four-unit light show strung over the fireplace. Playboy, Life, and several wrestling magazines are stacked on the galss and chrome coffee table in front of me, and I'm beginning to look around for Hugh Hefner. Just then, a voice behins me inquires:

"Hey man, do you dig the light show or should I turn it off?"

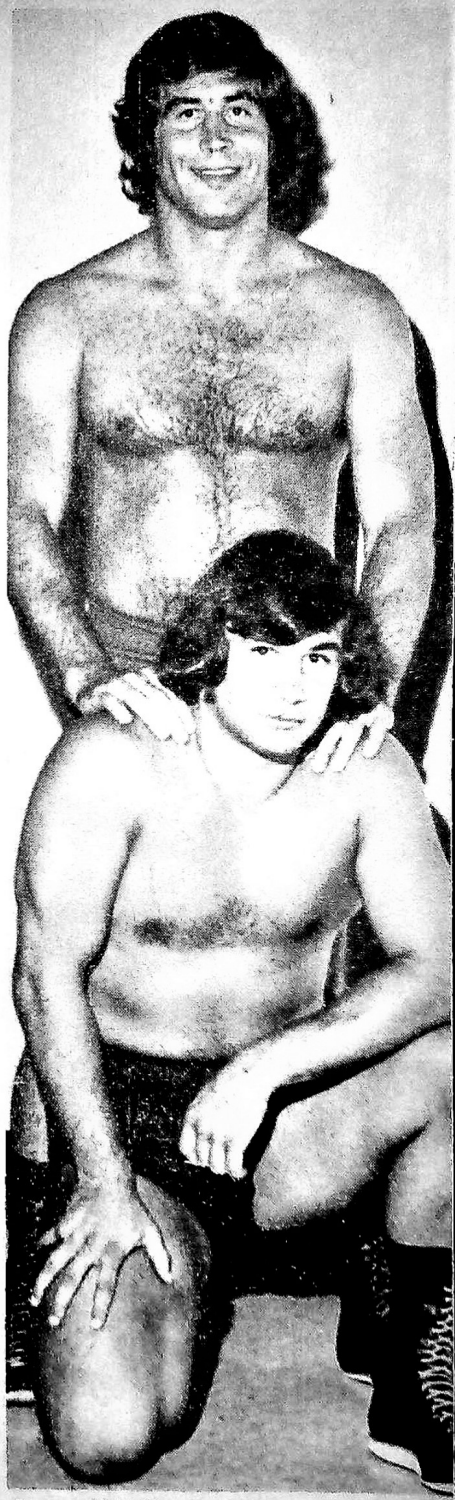
The voice takes shape in front of me. First I see the sandal-covered feet attached to a massive set of calves and thighs. Cut-off jeans over slim hips, and a solid trunk opening out into a thick chest and shoulders covered by an orange tank top. The young, handsome face with dark eyes framed in a mane of wild, black hair, all topped off with a terrific suntan.

I mention that maybe the flashing lights are just a little too much for my middle-aged eyes. So the tanned face shows a large size smile with a small laugh thrown in. He moves to the stero and cuts the switch. Them drops his 225 pounds into the nearby chair. One might think he's some movie actor or rock star. But he just happens to be one of the hottest names in professional wrestling today, young Jerry Brisco.

I'm here at his apartment in surburban Charlotte, N.C., not to check on his background (every ardent wrestling fan knows he and his brother Jack are from Oklahoma and knows all about their college wrestling background) but we want to know how it feels to have ridden that comet to the top of the wrestling wars in a mere four years as a professional.

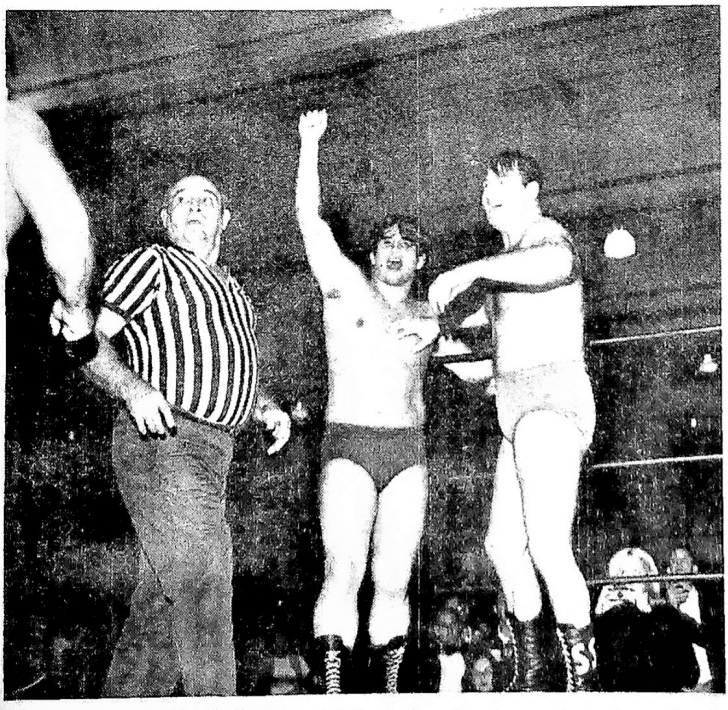
Luck, Fate, Good Fortune, The Gods. Call it what you will. Jerry Brisco is riding it, the wind at his back. Where everything is rookie of the year awards and fat contracts and people stumbling over one another just to shake his hand wherever he goes.

Brisco does not dwell on these moments. But occasionally when he's



Jerry and his older brother Jack are two of the best young. wrestlers in the sport.

Jerry body slams Joe Turner during a match at Charlotte, N.C.



Jerry and partner Sandy Scott are jubilant after victory over Brute Bernard and The Missouri Mauler.

alone and the stero is blowing something pensive and cool, a small, cold knot gathers in his stomach.

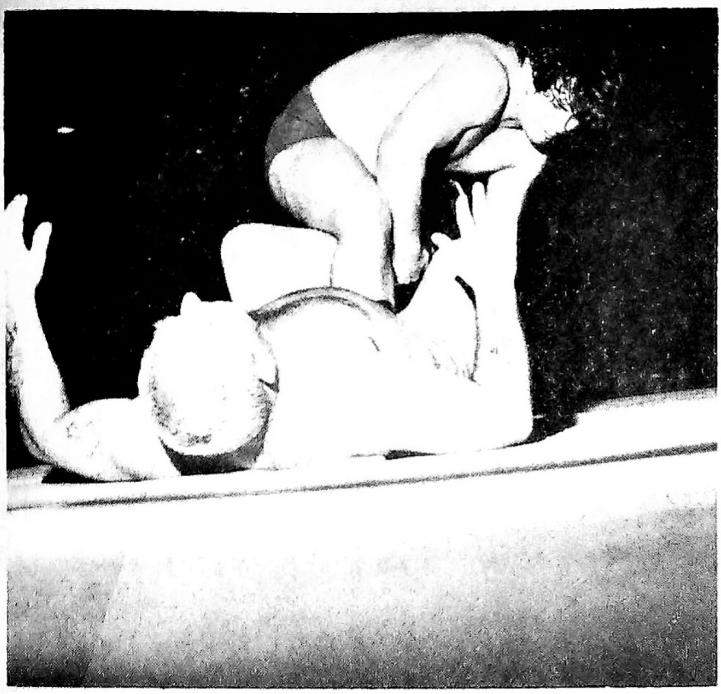
"It scares me. The thought of having a couple of great years and then being an also-ran the rest of my career." He laughs self-consciously. "More than anything else, I never want to be called a flash in the pan."

At only 25 he has harvested the oyster and, at least for now, the world is his. A wealthy Florida realtor calls to assure him of future income with a land developing deal. "If the present is beautiful, the future at least is looking pretty good."

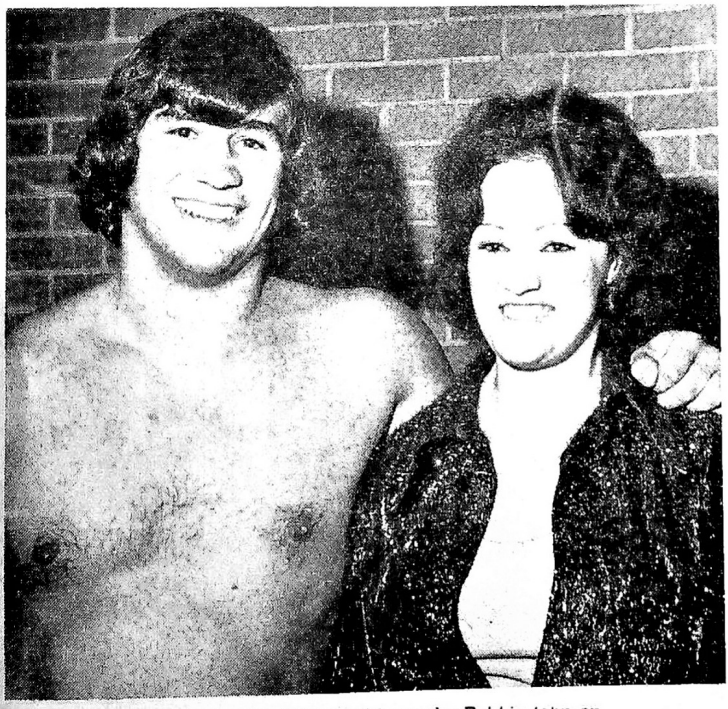
Coming into the pro ranks in 1968, he has wrestled throughout the Southwest, had two trips to Australia, and now is a top name on the Eastern seaboard. His brother Jack Brisco is considered the man to lift Dory Funk Jr.'s world heavyweight crown, and Jerry is already ahead of Jack at a similar point in his wrestling career.

An easy rider, he hasn't let success go to his head. He has taken this new-found fame and fortune as it comes, living life as only the young can. The big Pontiac Granville and the MG sports car parked out in front of his apartment show that he's aware of what's going on in this fast world. The smile wearing a bikini who has just brought us a beer is also part of the Brisco world. "Baby, you must be kidding: they're outta sight!" he says when asked if the young ladies are a good part of being a professional athlete.

Jerry is known in wrestling circles as not only a topflight grappler but as a real ladies man and a guy who knows "where it's at." You can see that his lifestyle easily parallels that of two other great sports figures, Derek Sanderson and Joe Namath. I asked him if he knew those two gentlemen. "No, I don't," he said, "but I've read a lot about them. They sure know how to live and I admire them both as great men in their field. They seem to have the right idea. You've got to let off steam or you're dead. Get uptight and some wrestler will beat the pants of ya. You've got to be loose, man, very loose. You can't be worries about anything when you climb through those ropes. So, you raise a little hell and relax the night before. But of course, these is a line where you stop. I mean, it doesn't have to be a wild orgy. I can just sit around with a young lady and have a drink and dig



Jerry starts to wrap Swede Hanson in a figure four leg lock.



Jerry and his friend girl wrestler Debbie Johnson.

some rock sounds, or catch a good movie."

Jerry had just returned on this Monday morning from Tampa, Florida. He had wrestled in Jacksonville on Saturday and then gone to Tampa for the rest pf the weekend with brother Jack at his home there.

"Man, that was a groove! There must have been 50 gorgeous chicks at the party we went to on Sunday. Outa sight, Man!" The girl in the bikini has been sitting quietly in a corner. Now she heaves a well-stuffed pillow at Jerry, who dodges and grins back at her. "Aw, baby, you know you're my only true love!" he says while she pretends to be angry. The beautiful girl with long blonde hair and blue eyes announces she is going down to the pool for some sun. After she's gone, Jerry comments, "She's a good chick. We understand each other. She does her thing and I do mine, so we get along, it's simple."

With the distraction of that bikini out of the way, I remembered other questions I wanted to ask. I now braced Jerry about the championship picture.

"Of course I want to be world champion. Doesn't every baseball player want to win a World Series? The fact that my brother Jack is the number one contender at this time means only that I must wait back down the line. But if Jack were to capture the belt. . .well, that would be a different story. I would be proud of him, but disgusted that he beat me to it."

Do you then feel bad about following your behind your brother?

"Hell, no! Maybe some brothers would, but it don't bother me. Jack never lets me feel like number two. We work out together whenever we can. He gives me encouragement and I'm the same way with him. He would be just as happy to see me champion. All top athletes must have that fine edge to make them competitive. So he would be a little let down, same as I would."

You seem to have the world by the tail, I told him.

"Well, anyone who was in my shoes for a while would understand just how much work and how tough it is to stay here. From the outside they say, 'man, he's got it made. I wish I were that lucky.' But they gotta see how tough

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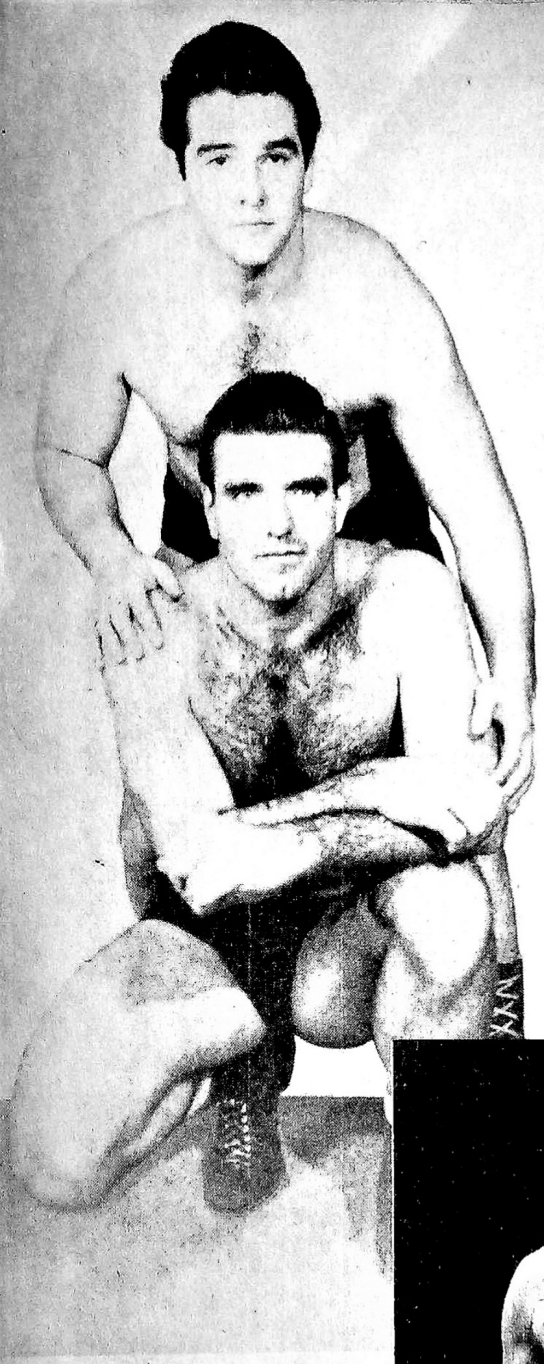
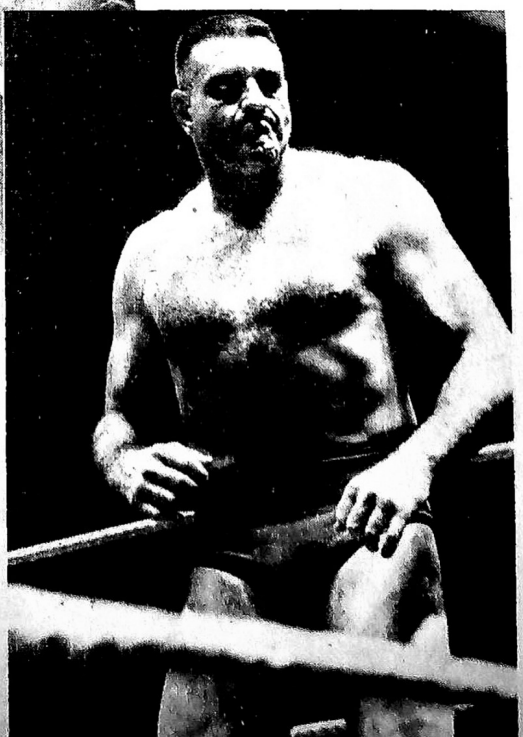
DON CURTIS

WRESTLING'S ALL AROUND ATHLETE



Mark Lewin and Don Curtis were once the top tag team in the world.



Don Curtis gives a menacing look at his opponent.

By GEORGE NAPOLITANO

In the early sixties, Don Curtis and his tag team partner Mark Lewin were the pride of the East Coast. Their appearance at an arena would always evoke a turnout crowd wherever they wrestled with the fans always being treated to that magnetic appeal which they possessed. The highlight of all their matches occured the moment when Don or Mark would clamp their famed Sleeper Hold on one of their opponents to capture a fall or another victory for their fantastic team.

Day after day, week after week, their mastery over their opposition continued until the inevitable finally occured. Facing the Fabulous Kangaroos, Don Curtis and Mark Lewin suffered a hotly contested defeat at the hands of this dealdy duo who were managed at the time by Wild Red Berry, a very loquacious manager to say the least.

After this defeat, Curtis and Lewin tried desparately to regain this title, but every time they seemed to be on the road to victory they somehow always managed to get sidetracked by some sort of illegal tactics by their opponents. After being on the receiving end of one too many illegal blows, Curtis and Lewin changed their ways. Instead of being the heros, they reversed their style and were now fighting fire with fire. Their new identity however, did now sit well with their fans. After losing their once loyal following and unable to reacquire the tag team title, Don Curtis and Mark Lewin parted company.

Since then, both Don Curtis and Mark Lewin have continued in the wrestling profession with Lewin establishing himself as a truly top-notch grappler and Don concentrating on other aspects of wrestling besides his ring endeavors.

Looking back, Don recalled, "The time when Mark and I changed our ways was kind of a mixed-up periof in my life. I went through some very troubled emotional situations at that time and there was no excuse for it. I think that everyone goes through this

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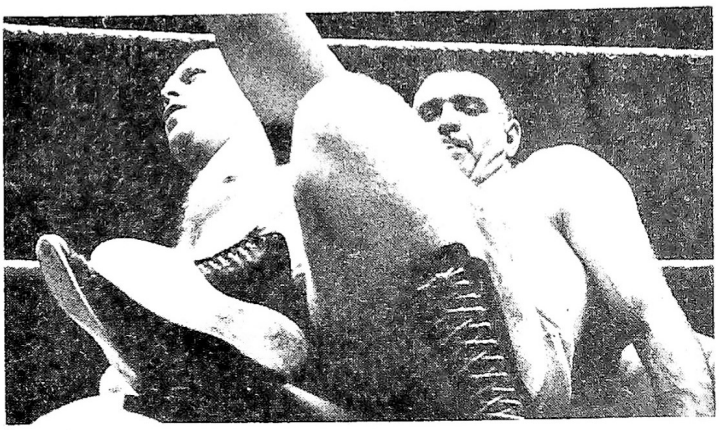
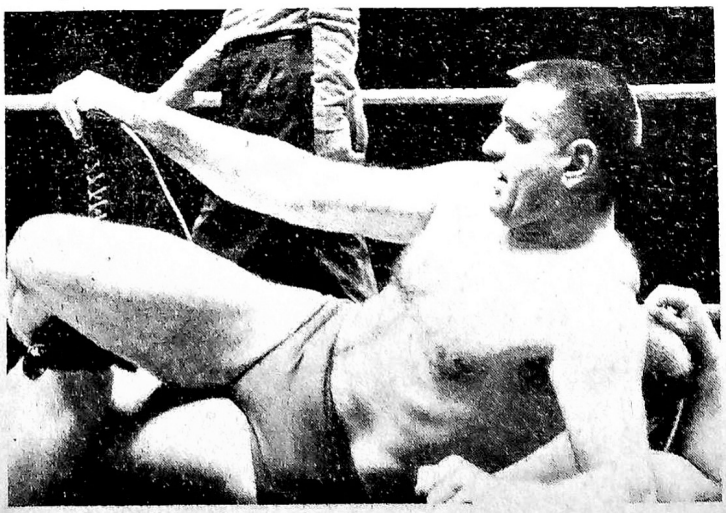
Eddie Graham and Don Curtis receive instructions before a tag match.



Curtis applies pressure to body scissors he has on Smasher Sloan.



Curtis works over Sloan's legs.

A REPORT ON BRITISH WOMEN WRESTLERS

By JON HENRI

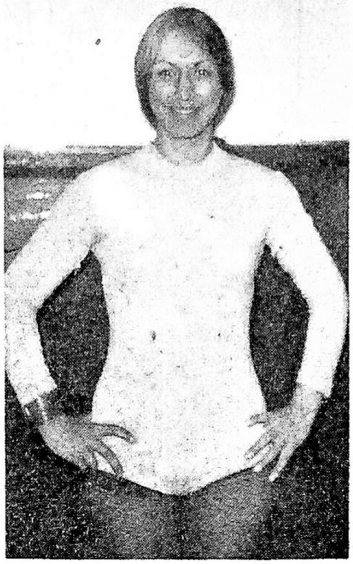
Blond bombshell Mitzie Mueller

Judy Starr is ready for action.

Smiling Chrissy Thompson.

Top pro Lolita Loren.

Top English girl star Karina



The lovely Paula Sivori

Patti McGoohan bangs the heads of the ref and Klondyke Kate together.

Popular Patti McGoohan.

Wildcat Klondyke Kate.

Women wrestlers in Great Britain number about 12. Some of them have only a few odd bouts, whilst others are in action two or three nights a week. In the North Western Area, Lancashire/Cheshire, we have such stars as the European Ladies Champion, Mitzie Mueller. This Anglo/German girl has been mentioned from time to time in various magazines around the world.

Close behind Mitzie we have the reigning British Champion, Klondyke Kate, a 16 st., 24-year-old hunk of womanhood, a hard, rough wrestler who wins her bouts by any means possible. Kate, like Mitzie, knows her wrestling from A to Z.

Another girl with wide experience is Lolita Loren, who at the present moment is out of action for family reasons. Another young girl, the baby of the ladies, is 17-year-old Karina, the daughter of "Cowboy" Jack Cassidy, who at the tender age if 13 was learning the wrestling game and had her first bout at 14 years of age. Karina is possibly the most popular of the lady wrestlers. Unfortunately, at the present moment she is out of action, but she is expected back in the very near future.

Then we have Judy Starr, a very popular girl who is the wife of "Bad Boy" Steve Young. Chief Challenger to Mitzie Mueller and Klondyke Kate for their titles is Patti McGoohan, a 21-year-old, 11 st., 7 lb., girl who is a great little wrestler and has had some hard, rough bouts with both the Champions. She is a girl who can

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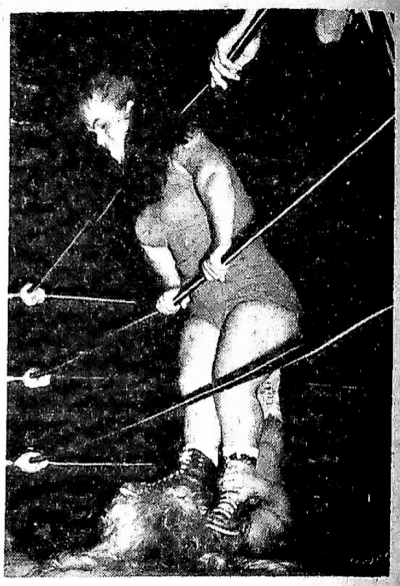
ACTION

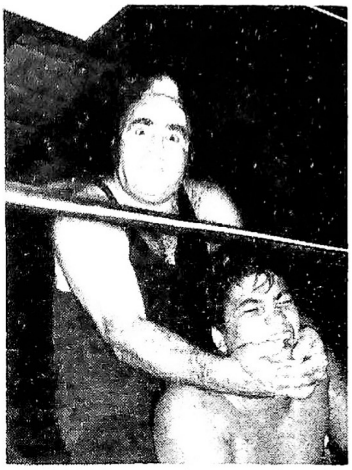
in Griffin,Ga.

By DANNY GODDARD

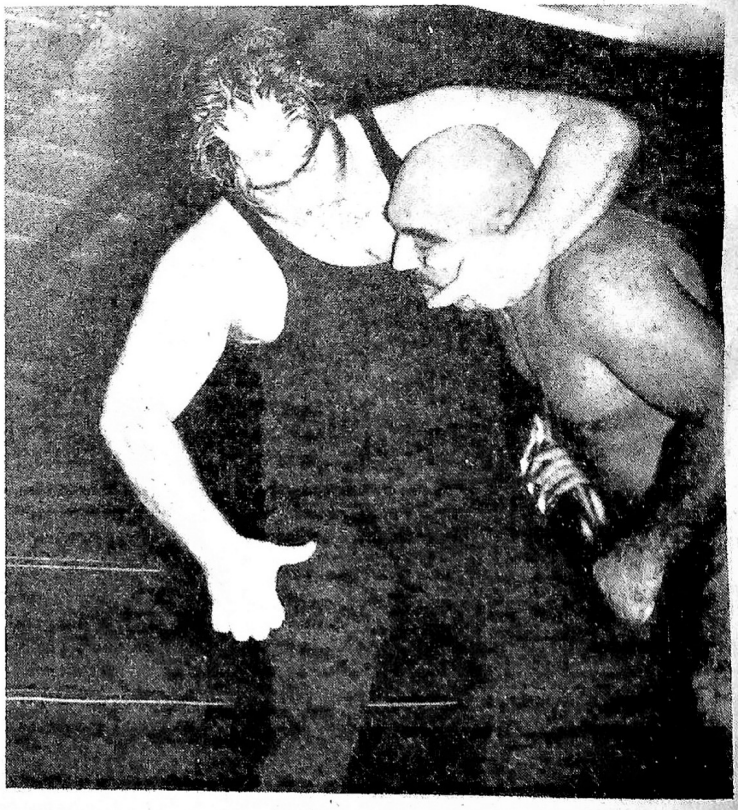
Although Little Dagmer received a minor arm injury, she successfully defeated Diamond Lil to win the midget girls match.



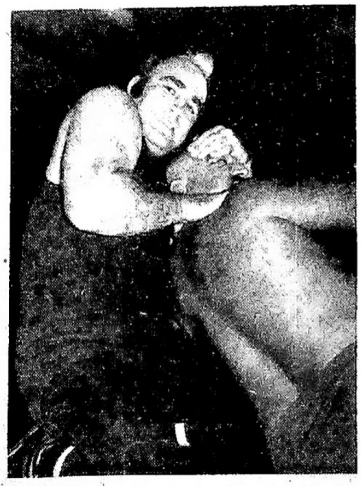
The little girls thrilled the fans. Here Diamond Lil uses the ropes to put pressure on Darling Dagmar.



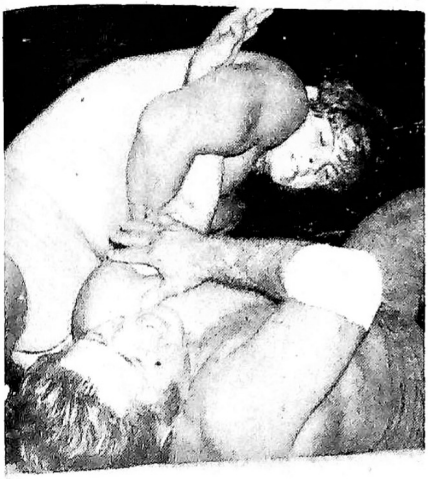
Rocket Monroe made strange faces to the ringsiders as he put the "hurt" on Roberto Soto. The Monroe Brothers faced Soto and Kubla Kahn.



Flash Monroe gives Kahn a thumb to the throat to draw more boos from the crowd.

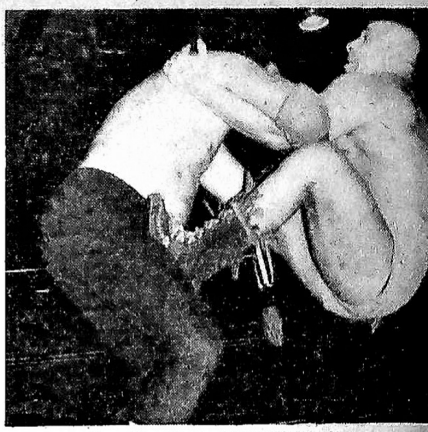


Rocket Monroe had Kubla Kahn in trouble with a nerve hold that turned out to be a choke.



Young Robert Fuller gave Cisco Grimalso plenty to scream about when he clamped on his painful armlock.

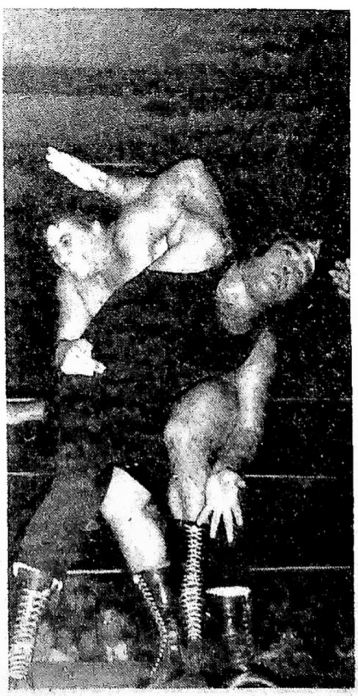
Assassin No. 1 is a bit dazzled during one of his rougher matches.



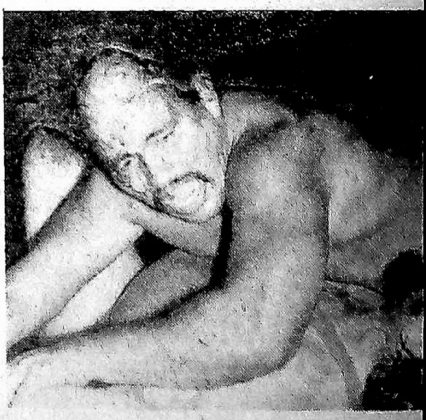
Jimmy Dancing Bear, the new Indian star, gave Joe Turco a bad time until Bear won the match in six minutes.

A bad cut over the eye didn't stop El Mongol in this special lights out match against Big John.

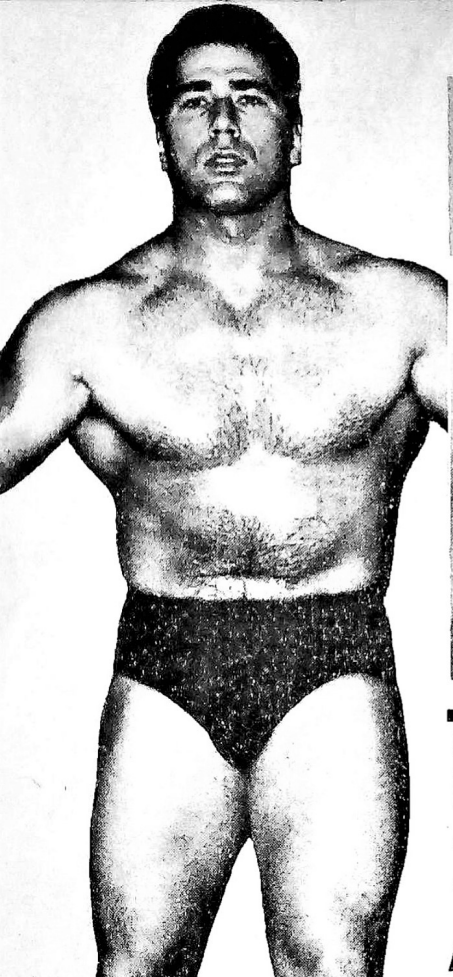
Now it's Rocket's turn to holler as Roberto twists his two-toned head.

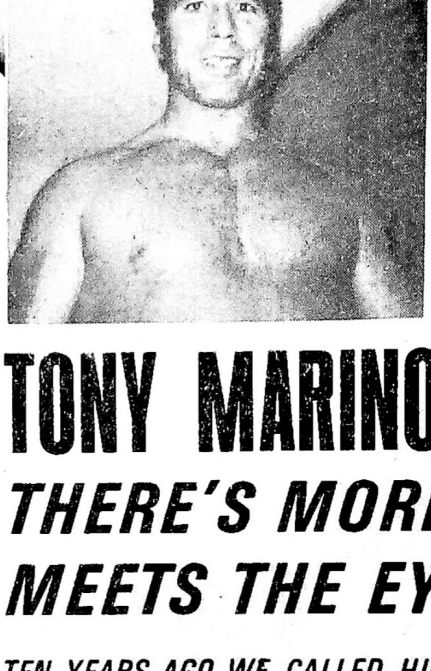


An abdominal stretch made Monroe submit and gave Soto and Kahn the win over the Monroes.



The Mongol pinned Big John but the feud is still unended.





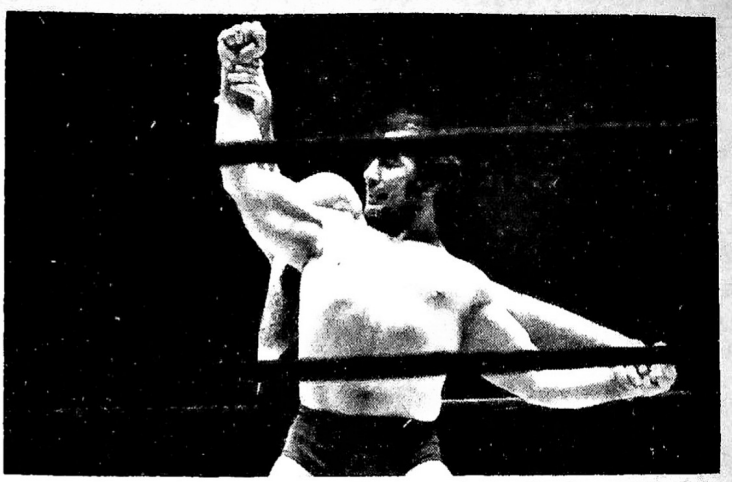
TONY MARINO-
THERE'S MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE

TEN YEARS AGO WE CALLED HIM ONE OF OUR SPORTS MUST EXCITING NEW STARS - NOW HE IS A FULL FLEDGED SUPERSTAR !

By ALLEN RESSLER

Marino has always been a popular favorite and now he has matured into one of the top stars in the business.

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third of many great stories which we plan to reprint from out of print issues of our magazines. This article on Tony Marino first appeared in the February 1962 issue of BOXING ILLUSTRATED which contained a wrestling section at that time. At the present Tony is doing quite well in the Michigan-Ohio area. We feel that this article from the past will give you the reader some insight to Tony and be of great interest. So we are reprinting this article at this time so that it is available for those who were unable to read it in 1962.



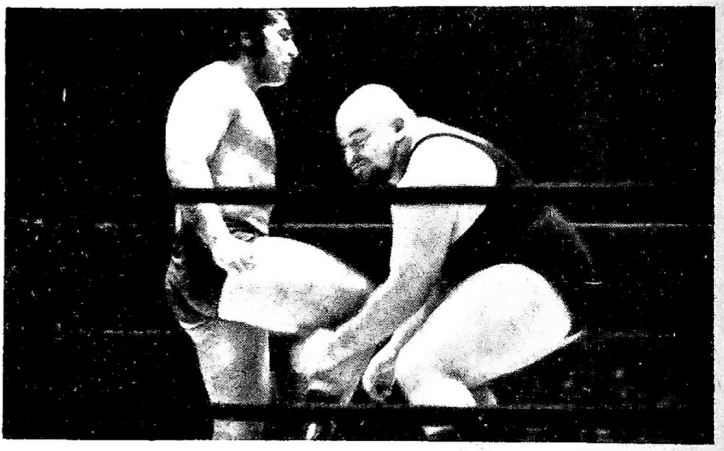
Tony Marino and Ivan Koloff square off in a test of strength a few years back in Pittsburgh.

THE COMPETITION is getting hotter at the top!

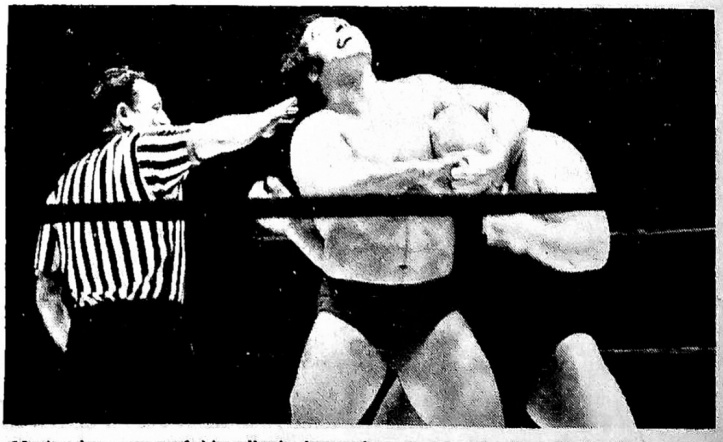
That's the word leaking out of promoters' offices around the country, and it's good news for wrestling fans. You've heard about the population explosion? That's the thing that, because we're not controlling the birth-rate, may have the world so populated in another century that our great-grandchildren will be standing up most of the time because there won't be enough room to sit down.

Just so, there is a growing influx of high-calibre talent in wrestling's upper echelons which is causing older stars to look around nervously and wonder how they're going to survive the pressure. Each month, it seems, another young matman, having weathered his apprenticeship in the bush leagues, suddenly springs into national prominence and becomes a serious contender for the championship.

These new stars are not just ships that pass in the wrestling night, to light the waves for a moment and then vanish forever. They are genuine wrestlers who have gone through tough schooling and proved their ability. Get them all out there in the limelight, wrestling one another as well as the established stars — and you have competition! Among the really fine young wrestlers who fit into this talent explosion are Sailor Thomas, Vittorio Apollo, Bill Zabyszko, Dick Beyer, Dino



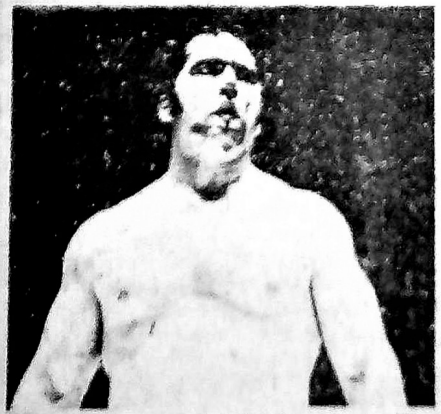
A knee lift into Koloff's stomach by Marino knocked the wind out of the Russian grappler.



Marino has a powerful headlock clamped on the Russian Bear during their action filled bout.

Back in the days when Tony wrestled The Battman he really let loose with a shot on Al Bell.

The Battman gimmick worked for Marino, but now he is even more famous using his own name.



Tony's recent battles against The Snick have been real bloodbaths in Detroit and the surrounding area. Tony is both successful and popular.

Bravo, Bearcat Wright, and Sweet Daddy Siki. Within the last year or two, these bright new stars have battered out a place for themselves in the rings and hearts of America.

Now, to join their swelling ranks, comes a superbly muscular newcomer, one who is making even the toughest old pros fidget in their tights. His name? Tony Marino, **nee** Silipini, a 25-year-old body builder and a former Junior Mr. America who jetted out of Rochester, New York, in January, 1957, to prove to himself and the world-at-large that he was good enough to follow in the footsteps of such super Italian-American wrestlers as the Garibaldis and Baron Leone. He has, in the four years since, threatened to completely obliterate the footsteps of his illustrious forbears — mostly because he wears size 13 shoes, but He doesn't want to be a carbon copy of Tony Rocca anyway — he thinks he's good enough to be a great original named Tony Marino.

A product of the University of Rochester, Tony won letters in football, wrestling and track.

"I knew I had to have a strong body for wrestling," he told us, "and I didn't want to wait for also because he's a mighty good wrestler.

He has the build for it. At 230 pounds, Tony stands an even six feet, all of it solid bone and muscle developed by means of weight lifting. Most body builders are not nearly as strong as they look, but young Marino is the exception. In bouts against some of the strongest pros, he has yet to be bested in a test of strength. Only the most frenzied of attacks enabled the feared Russian, Boris Volkoff, to eke out a win over Marino in one of the latter's earlier matches. Since then he has improved immensely. He has learned a lot about ring generalship, perfected his favorite holds, the flying drop kick and Cobra Stretch. Recently, Tony has been wrestling in his bare feet, not to copy Rocca but because "It gives me more speed." **wrestling to give it to me. I wanted it first. That way, I knew the first years would go easier."**

He was right. And so are all the years easier when you're as strong as Tony Marino. Being as fast and clever as he is makes it even easier. That still doesn't make wrestling a snap. No matter how tough and talented you are, it's still the toughest sport. But it's also one of of the most rewarding.

Tony has been rewarded with a new home, a beautiful wife, a daughter and most of the other good things of life. He owes it all to wrestling and gladly admits it. On the other hand, he knows he could have held down a good job in several other fields. Art, for example.

"When I was fourteen, I painted a portrait of an elderly lady. It must have been good — or she must have been near-sighted — because she gave me $100 for it. That almost decided me to take up art for a living. But not quite. I knew that, by wrestling, I could earn enough to live comfortably when I retired — and then take up art as a career. I would also be in a position to paint what I liked without having to worry about whether or not it would sell."

He hasn't had time to do much art work in the last few years. It's been all wrestling. "But," says Tony, "when you have the talent, it never leaves you. One of these days I'm going to get started at the drawing board again — and with a little brushing up — pardon the pun — I'll get back whatever skill I had. More, because they tell me you improve with age, even though you don't practice."

But right now it's wrestling skill he's concerned with, and there's no doubt about it — he has that in abundance. On the other hand, so have many other rising young mat stars, and their number is still growing. Tony knows all about the competition; he has been in the middle of it for some time now. It doesn't scare him. He has faith in his own ability to overcome all opposition, whether old or young.

Many who have seen him in action agree. He is a young man to watch. It will be interesting to watch him — and all the others. •

was long gone, and this call from Heenan was the first time he had the opportunity to do anything about it. So the challenge and counter-challenge were issued – and accepted.

Promoter Muchnick approved of this match. Heenan suddenly clammed up and didn't have much to say. The wrestlers involved kept their thoughts to themselves once the match had been signed.

Whether or not Heenan decided he wanted a piece of the action, it didn't change the basic rules of the encounter. The Bruiser was going to be on his own – without a partner. Lanza and Mulligan would be able to tag in and out at will – Heenan too if he felt like tackling the Green Bay Packers single-handedly, which is about what it would amount to. It was to be a "One Fall to a Finish" match.

I'm sorry now to admit this, but frankly, when it was time for the match to begin, I was worried.

"All I ask," growled Bruiser, the burly ex-football star, "is that the referee keep them from double or triple-teaming me. If Heenan doesn't put on trunks, he'd better make sure to stay out of my way. Or I'll crush him till he looks like a seedless grape somebody stepped on."

Suddenly it was time. When I saw again the size of Lanza and Mulligan my heart jumped into my throat, and when I began to scream, my own voice scared me. They are both magnificent athletes and truly awe-inspiring, as they tower over an average man. They both are gifted wrestlers and have had superb training, for their knowledge of scientific wrestling appears endless. But there, anything good I might have to grudgingly admit about them stops! They both have some devious, underhanded genes as part of their elemental make-up. The rotten trick one doesn't think of, the other does. The both think they are God's gift to the profession and that they are far superior to mere man-made rules or laws regarding conduct.

The Gorgeous one, whom Bruiser's "cussin' cousin," The Crusher, calls Irene, appeared strutting down the "runway" as if he was top model in a fashion show. His bravado know no bounds – until Bruiser wilted the starch in his smile by giving him a scorching look that cuased Heenan's hair to curl slightly around the nape of his neck. His smashing blue trunks took on a greenish hue, reflected from his face, as he appeared to suddenly realize what he'd gotten himself into.

Lanza went into the ring first. He and Bruiser went at it hot and heavy, and about then Lanza decided it was time to catch his breath, so he tagged off to Mulligan. It was that way throughout the match. Bruiser didn't have a second to rest or get HIS breath. It seemed like Lanza and Mulligan would each wrestle for two or three minutes and then tag off.

As long as they were going strong, Heenan kept offering to accept the tag. He'd hold out his hand and then look terribly disappointed. But one time both Lanza and Mulligan wanted a brief rest at the same moment. Heenan got tagged in. I don't think he ever in the world expected it would actually happen.

In the matter of a brief instant, he became a living rainbow – from white to blue to green to gray to red, and then the whole process reversed itself. Bruiser actually had to give him some sort of over-the-head back flip to get him into the ring. Once in, I thought Bruiser was going to drop-kick him right out of Kiel Auditorium and across Market St. for a two-point field goal. But he didn't Bruiser tried to get on with the business at hand, the wrestling match. Bobby Heenan proved something to the fans in St. Louis that night. He proved that he too is a great athlete.

Only trouble is, he missed his calling. He could surely have made the Olympics had he gone out for track.

Bruiser had just about enough nonsense. Fun and games are fine, but Ring-Around-the-Rosie is a bit much for a grown-up man. He deposited Heenan in his corner – gift-wrapped.

Mulligan came in and promptly got almost pinned. But it didn't work. Mulligan got up (at least one shoulder got up) on the count of two. Then they pussy-footed around the ring for a bit, each taking measure of the other. Mulligan suddenly decided to get really tough and make like a tiger. It didn't come off too good because Bruiser mimicked every move he made and the crowd started to giggle.

That did it. This wasn't a laughing matter. Everybody got madder than a hatter about this time. Bruiser got Mulligan with an elbow smash in the midsection that caused the audience to gasp. From the look on Mulligan's face, I expected Bruiser's elbow had gone right through him and was sticking out his back.

Mulligan recovered enough to reel into Bruiser, forcing him toward the corner where Lanza and Heenan stood poised like a couple of vultures. The next few seconds were deadly. With Steel-trap precision Heenan had the tag rope around Bruiser's throat. Lanza got him with a knee in the stomach that doubled him over and made him choke still more. Mulligan got into the act. With three opponents working him over at once, Bruiser realized that this match had to be ended one way or the other – and he sure didn't intend to be on the losing end.

Summoning every muscle in his magnificent body, he broke free. I couldn't get close enough later to check this out, but I am positive he snapped the tag rope when he made that mighty lunge. It might have been the undoing of any neck belonging to a normal man with modest muscles. But Bruiser's muscles are not modest. They bulge ostentatiously. They are beautifully frightening and frightenly beautiful. They served him well that night.

Bruiser broke free so suddenly that when he wheeled, he caught Lanza with his fist upraised and a vacant look on his face, about to strike the empty air where Bruiser had been a split second before.

That was the beginning of the end. Bruiser caught Lanza on the chin with his fist, raising Blackjack off the floor a good two inches. Six more hard, swift punches and Lanza was prone on the mat – pinned!!!

The referee held Bruiser's hand up high in victory.

Lanza and Mulligan and Heenan were infuriated. One person, single-handedly, had beaten the three of them.

Lanza burst into the center of the ring and belted Bruiser in the chest. A wild melee threatened to erupt, but the Auditorium lights flashed on, and the referee put a stop to the fracas.

So when St. Louis promoter, Sam Muchnick, claims that the action is hot and heavy in air-conditioned Kiel – YOU BETTER BELIEVE IT!!!

And if you're keeping a big, big, big book full of the records of all Bruiser's wins, you'd better hire somebody to help you carry it around – or hire a truck to haul it in.

CANADIAN HERO EMILE DUPRE

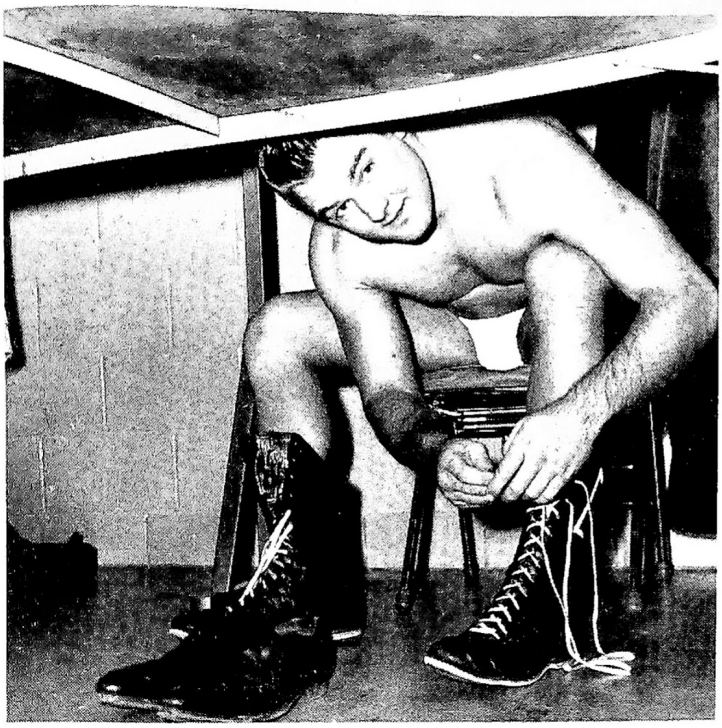
By REJEAN LEGAULT

I'm sure Killer Kowalski was completety unaware that a few years ago as he went about demolishing a hapless opponent that he was encouraging the interest of a young man in the pro grappling game, who would go on to be one of Canada's most popular heros. The young man who decided wrestling was for him after watching Kowalski was a handsome lad from New Brunswick by the name of Emile Dupre.

Dupre was well suited for the sport, having toughened his body by playing semi-pro hockey. He had to choose between his two loves but the decision was made very easy when he found out how much he could earn in a single night for tossing foes around the ring.

Dupre had one other real advantage in breaking into the sport, he was trained by Yvon Robert Sr., former world champion and one of Canada's all-time favorites. Young Emile often thought that the older experienced star would break him in two during their gym workouts. But the hard work and training paid off as Emile found out when he stepped into the ring he feared no opponent and didn't

Emile prepares for a match.



A candid shot of Emile in the dressing room.

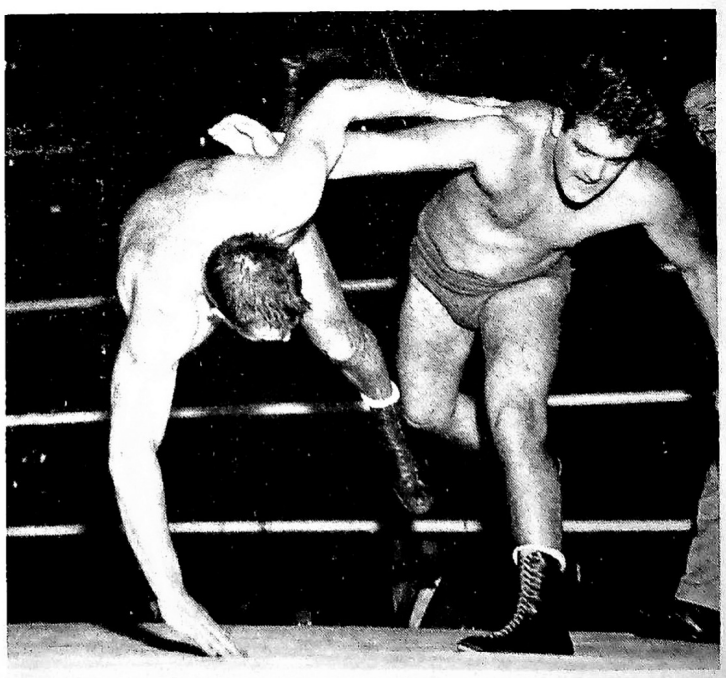
Emile signs autographs for some of his fans.

have to take a step back from anyone.

Emile surprised fans when he continually was able to upset foes who had many years experience on him. One of Emile's biggest victories came over the late great Skull Murphy. Emile's fans were afraid that the bald ring vateran from Ireland would tear the youngster limb from limb. But Emile had a plan: he intended to use his speed to stay away from Murphy's powerful grips and tire the older ring star out. Emile's plan worked and he pulled a major upset over one of wrestling's major badmen.

Emile over the years has developed a style that constantly has the fans sitting on the edge of their chairs. He makes use of good fundamental ring maneuvers like body slams, arm locks, and flying mares. In addition he is very good at crowd pleasing aerial tactics like drop kicks, flying headscissors, and flying tackles.

Emile's name is well known from coast to coast through his many in-person appearances and bouts that have been televised. Good looking Emile is especially popular in his Eastern Canada, where his fans number in the thousands.



Emile throws Killer Kowalski across the ring.

FANS' CANDID CORNER

The increase in the number of photos being submitted for Candid Corner has really kept us hopping. We have received more entries for this contest than any other ever run by us. Keep them coming and remember not only are there monthly winners, but each photo that is chosen as "PHOTO OF THE MONTH" becomes eligible for the "PHOTO OF THE YEAR" Award, a prize worth $25.00 dollars.

So keep them coming. The "Photo of The Month" receives a prize of $5.00 and each other photo that we use receives a prize of $2.00.

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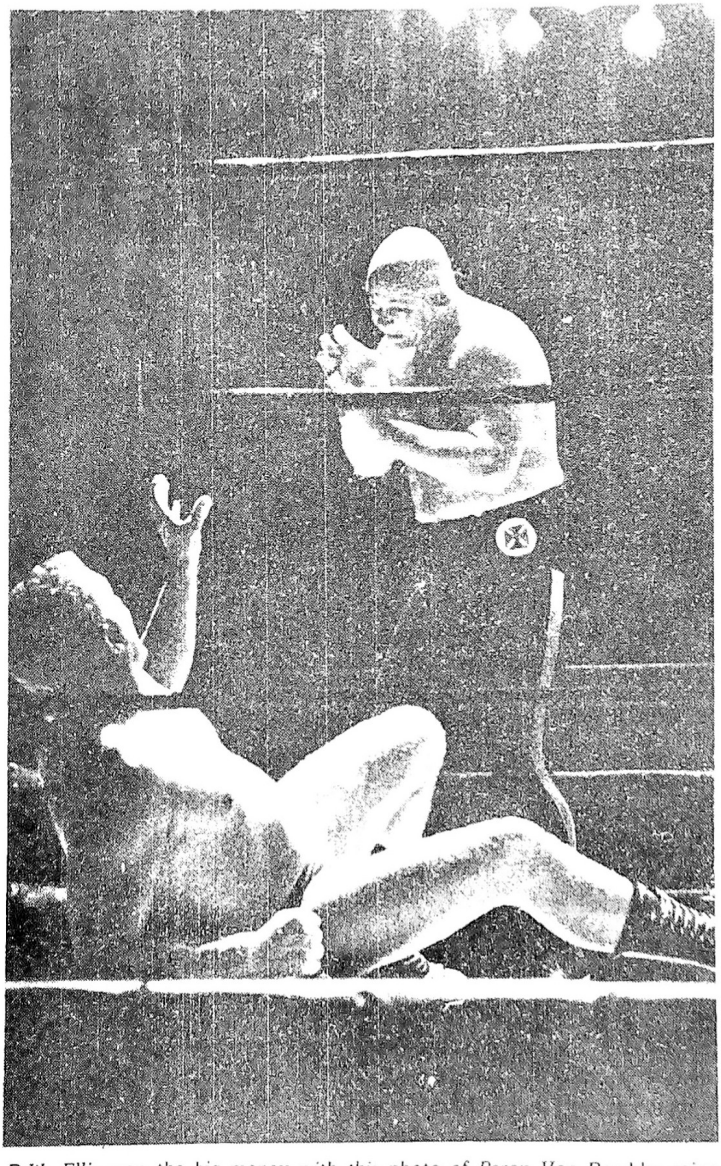
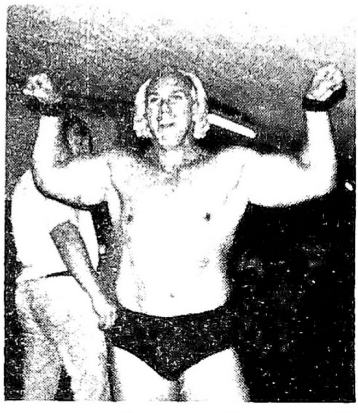
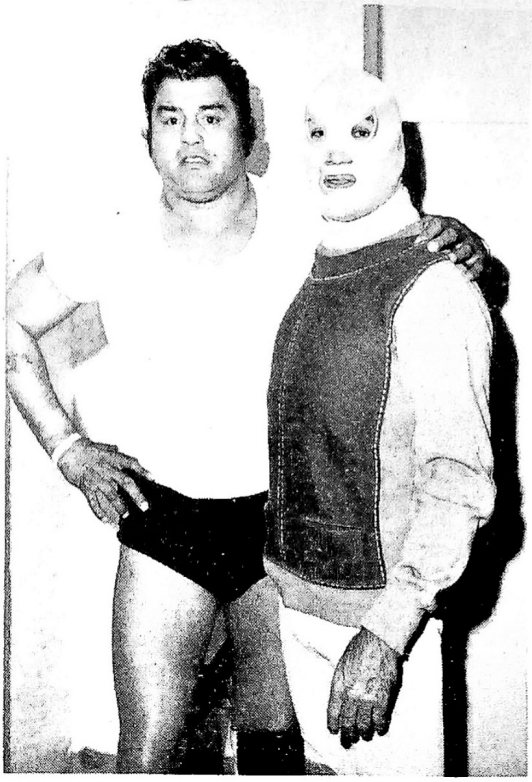


D.W. Ellis won the big money with this photo of Baron Von Raschke going against Handsome Harley Race.



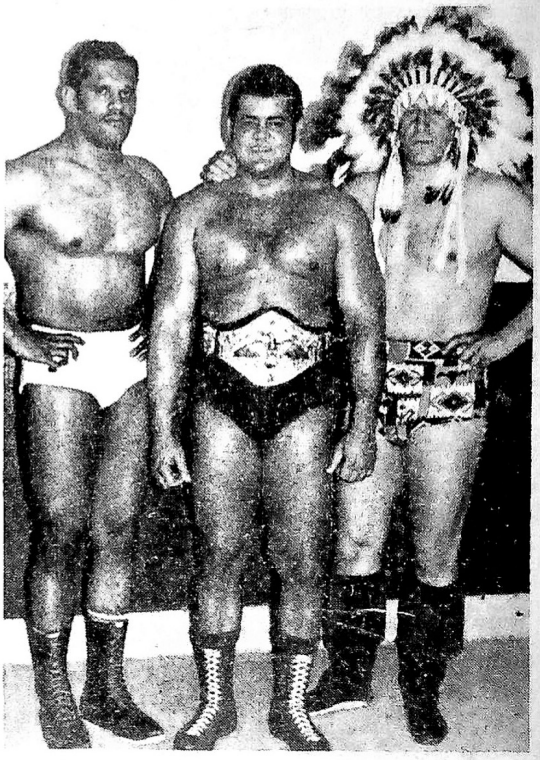
A great smiling shot of Superstar Billy Graham won for Gary Dubin of Van Nuys, California.

Steve Sofer of Chomedey, Quebec, took this prize winning shot of Jos Leduc before a match in the Montreal Forum.

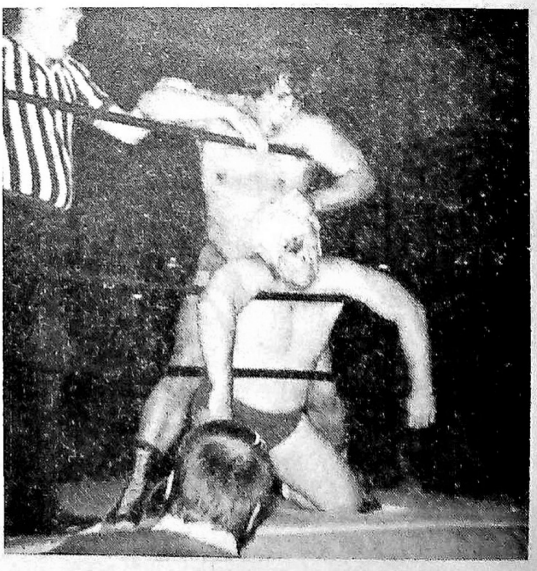


Three of the favorites in the northeast – Victor Rivera, Pedro Morales, and Jay Strongbow are the subjects of this prize shot by Scott Kubenstein of Cranford, New Jersey.

Phillip Rodriguez Jr. scored with this photo of Ricki Romero and El Santo in Lubbock, Texas.



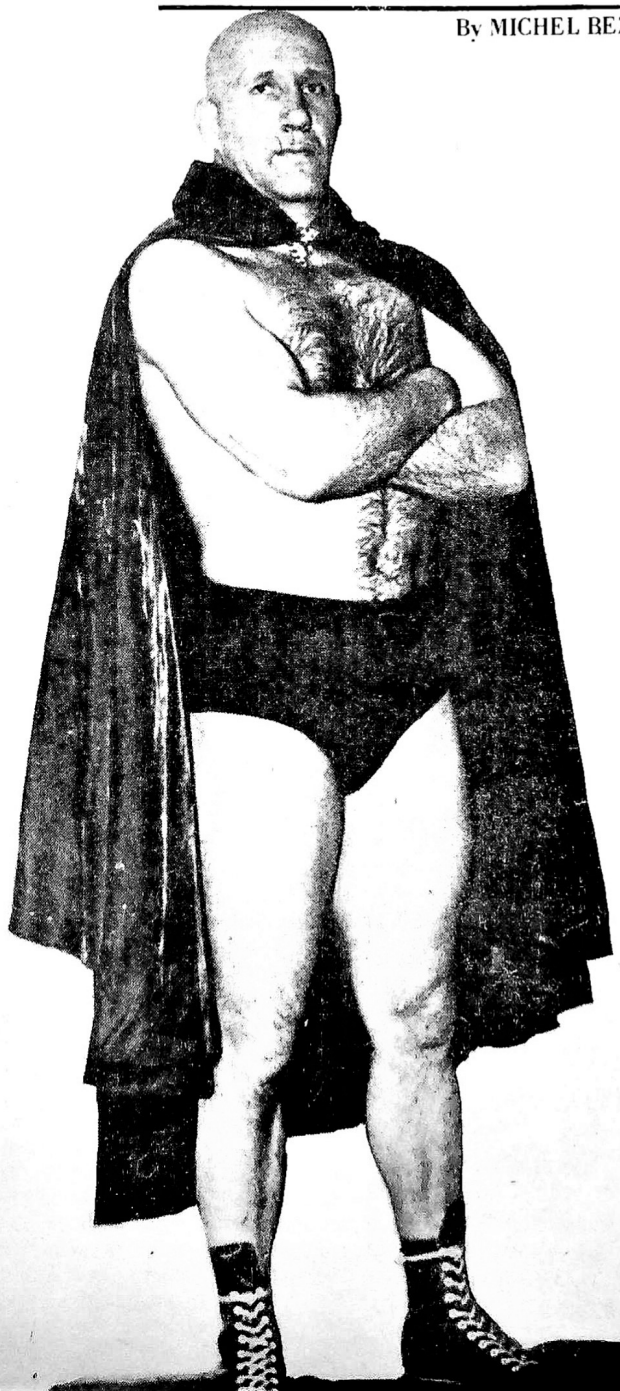
Sara Koenig took this photo of the Miller Brothers – Bill and Danny – in St. Louis. Sara is from neighboring Florissant, Mo.



Jerry Brisco attacks Rip Hawk during a match in the Charlotte Park Center. This winner is from Jerry Stawls of Kings Mountain, N.C.

INSIDE EUROPEAN WRESTLING

By MICHEL BEZY



German Wrestlers In France

The best-known of the wrestlers from Germany performing in France is the very solid Karl Von Kramer, who has definitely settled in Paris where he runs a bar in the district of Pigalle. Von Kramer, who is nicknamed "The Strangler" by everyone, is a formidable wrestler but too brutal and above all very unfair so that he is not liked by the public. He is married to the female wrestler, Sylvia Morelli. In 1952, 1953, and 1954, the former Vel d'Hiv, the cathedral of professional wrestling, sheltered the famous exploits of the "Teuton," Herman Reiss. Reiss, the Prussian with the unpleasant and disquieting face, was one of the great stars of Paris under the crook of Paoli. He fought against the following wrestlers, winning most of the fights: The Handsome Duranton, the Bulgarian Penchoff, the Greek Demetral, the European Champion of the time, Dane Martinson, the American Ted Christy, the collosal, the great Zorro, and the pugilist Primo Carnera and many others.

A quick and noteworthy visit was made by the young Karl Von Schober, who is now finding fame in the United States of America under the name of

The hated Karl Von Kramer.

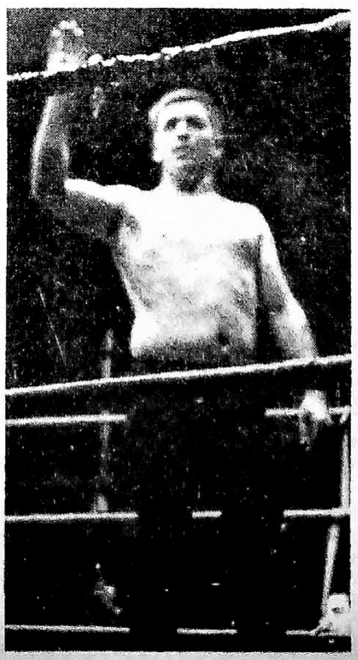
Rudi Saturski and Harry Wentzel.

The masked Gargantua "King Kong" Moser in action in Austria.

Jack De Lassartesse and Yvan Strogoff.

Eric Von Muller.

Fritz Von Alberts. Johnny Stein, who has become Karl Von Stroheim, was under the managership of Lageat and Siry during his stay in France; this very good wrestler became the famous Hangman of Dusseldorf for the needs of the occasion. Stein, at the height of his glory, got his fellow countrymen Mathias Roesges, Herman Hifflan, Axel Dieter, and Hans Dillinger to come to France. Axel Dieter created the famous character of the Legionary; Mathias Roesges, with his fine figure, immediately won the hearts of the French public by his clear-cut wrestling, his pleasant style, his finesse and his great bravery. In addition, Mathias also created a masked personage and became the enchanting and very efficient Knight Ivanhoe and was unanimously adopted by all the spectators. It is useless to present a chivalrous Ivanhoe since Walter Scott has already done this. Mathias had a very tragic end. He was assinated in his Cabaret in Germany during a bloody brawl. What can be said about Herman



Hifflan? A wrestler with the superlative methods? His short visit to France at once earned him the hatred of the crowds. Hifflan, the arrogant wrestler, always on the outskirts of society, won all his fights and in particular his fight against the Hungarian Gideon Gida, the Italian Pallacani, the Russian Dimitrov, the Negros Dula, Pietri Gordon and the wild Zigulinoff, the man with the skin of a goat.

The blond Hans Streiger passed through our country very quickly but did not gain much success and his popularity is much greater with our "English" friends. Hans Whader is finding fame under the pseudonym of the famous and picturesque Doctor Kayser, whom I had nicknames at the time, the "Ondulant Strangler." Adolf Kaiser, with the frightening double name of war but with the personality of a millionaire, a philosoph, painter, poet, composer, collector, whose pet hobby is "cuffs" and "tie."

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BRITISH WOMEN WRESTLERS
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wrestle and also use the rule-bending tactics often employed by Klondyke Kate.

Another great little wrestler is Paula Sivori, (sometimes known as Anita Valdez), who entered the wrestling game about 6 months ago. She was originally trained by Mitzie Mueller, Paula's mother is Spanish and her father West Indian. She has learned her wrestling well and improves with every bout. At 22 years of age and weighing 8 st., 7 lb., she can in the very near future be a menace to both Mitzie and Klondyke for their titles. Christine Thompson is another girl who makes occasional appearances, also "Naughty" Nancy Barton, daughter of Roy "Bull" Davies, who for family reasons only makes occasional appearances in the ring. "Hellcat" Haggetty, another hard, rough wrestler of the Klondyke Kate mold, is another girl who makes only the odd appearance. All these girls are contracted to the top Promoter/Wrestler of the Independent Circuit, "Cowboy" Jack Cassidy. They do appear on other bills around the country. Mitzie Mueller is also contracted to Promoter Brian Dixon, who also uses a number of the girls contracted to Jack Cassidy.

Other lady wrestlers who appear on the odd occasion around the country are Maria Rivoldi, the wife of promoter/wrestler Cyril Knowles; Lady Carolina, the wife of wrestler/promoter Jack Taylor; Jennie Muff, a young girl trained by Maria Rivoldi and Cyril Knowles. During the past few months a new girl has appeared in the Yorkshire/London Area, Sue Brittain, the wife of ex-W.F.I.A. European Secretary Ron Farrar. She is not widely known in the North West where most of the lady wrestlers appear.

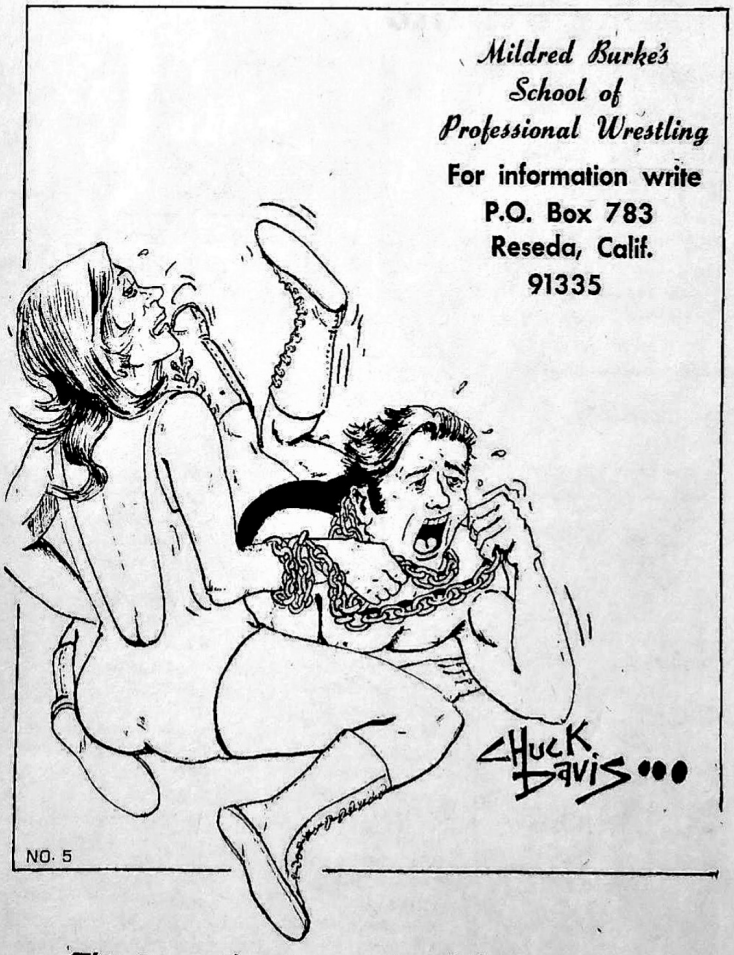
Klondyke Kate and Mitzie Mueller paid a visit to Sweden and I hear that the bouts between them were terrific and really appreciated by the Swedish fans, who have asked them to return in the near future. All the girls trained and under contract by Jack Cassidy have been given the opportunity to visit France by promoter Michel Bezy, but unfortunately for home and family reasons they cannot leave this country for any length of time.

Having refereed bouts for the girls in the Lancashire/Cheshire Area, I can assure readers that the girls are all first class wrestlers and are hard, rough and tough, and I would back them against any of their counterparts in America or on the Continent. They can all give good accounts of themselves.

In a mixed bout some time ago Mitzie Mueller met "Romeo" Joe Critchley, a man of exceptional experience. He has met and defeated Jackie "T.V." Pallo, Mick McManus, and has been tag partner to Les Kellett, and his highly respected by wrestlers all over the world for his classic style. Mitzie was loudly applauded by the audience and Joe stated that she was one of the best wrestlers he had ever met. This is great praise from such a widely experienced man.

At the present moment Jack Cassidy informs me that he is looking for two more young girls to train in the wrestling game, so at this rate we should soon have a great galaxy of stars in Britain, where most towns are now allowing the ladies to compete on wrestling bills.

This is Professional Wrestling ????



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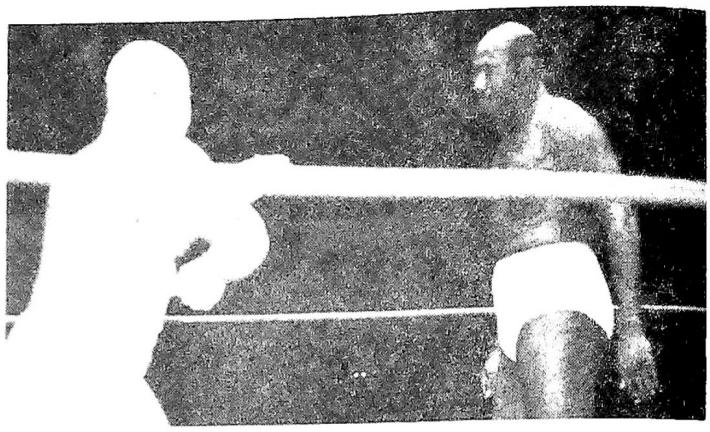
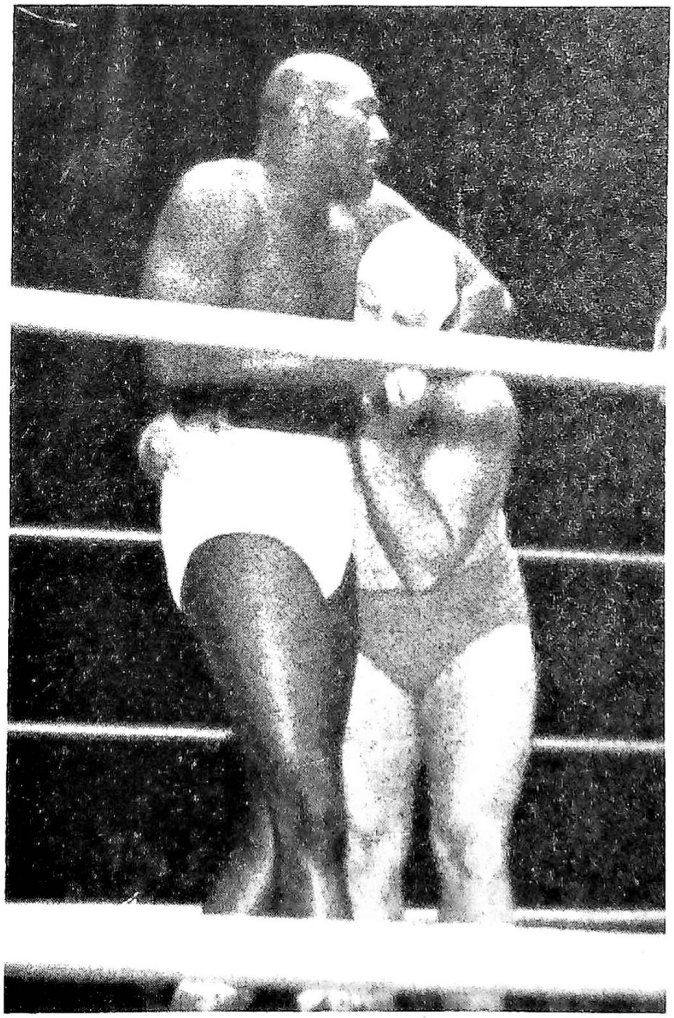


The Destroyer does his own bump and grind routine.



Bearcat wraps The Destroyer up in a side headlock.

BEARCAT VS. THE BIG "D"

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him in Hawaii to ask of he could return to Los Angeles for a "big match." The Bearcat is no dummy when it comes to money. So Bearcat asked when LaBell wanted him, Mike LaBell told him it was on November 5th that the big bout would take place. So, Bearcat agreed to be in Los Angeles on November 5th with bells on. When Bearcat found out that The Destroyer would be his opponent, he almost blew up! The Destroyer had mutual feelings about the match when contacted in Japan. Mike LaBell claimed it "was a natural!" The fans hadn't seen either wrestler in quite some time, and by now, the feud would be red-hot! He was right.

Bearcat commented that he would never hold a torch for The Destroyer now, or any other time. The Destroyer was his old-self again and claimed that he's never heard a Bearcat squeal before, so on November 5th, Wright would scream for mercy once the famed masked man applied his clincher, the figure-four leg lock. In 1963, The Destroyer was offering $1,000.00 to any wrestler who could break the grapevine. But, now the reward is a whopping $5,000!! When Bearcat found this out, he changed his whole attitude. Wright told the fans that he'd be happy to collect the 5 big ones!!

Well, Bearcat didn't collect the money, but he did win the match on a count-out. It would seem as if The Destroyer had under-estimated Wrights strategy. You see, The Destroyer failed to apply his figure-four!! As these pictures show, the match was a classic that the L.A. fans are not to soon forget.

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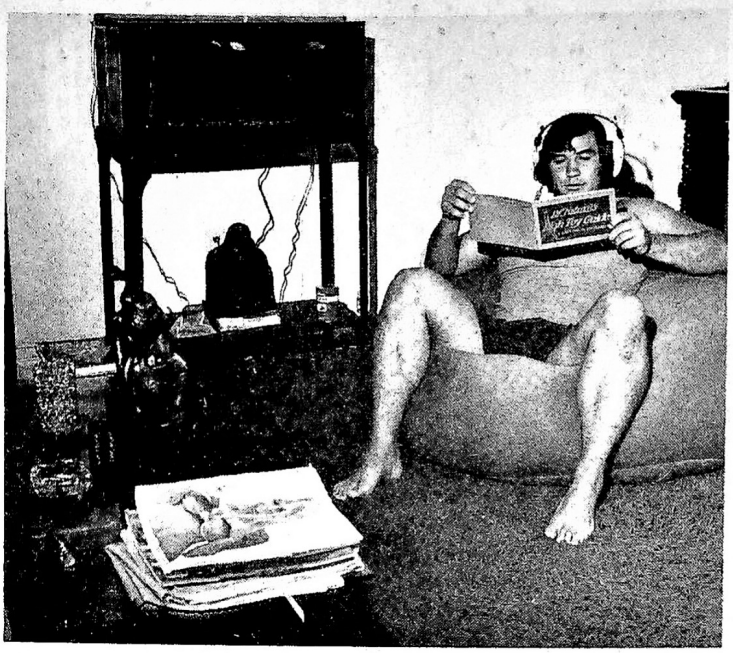
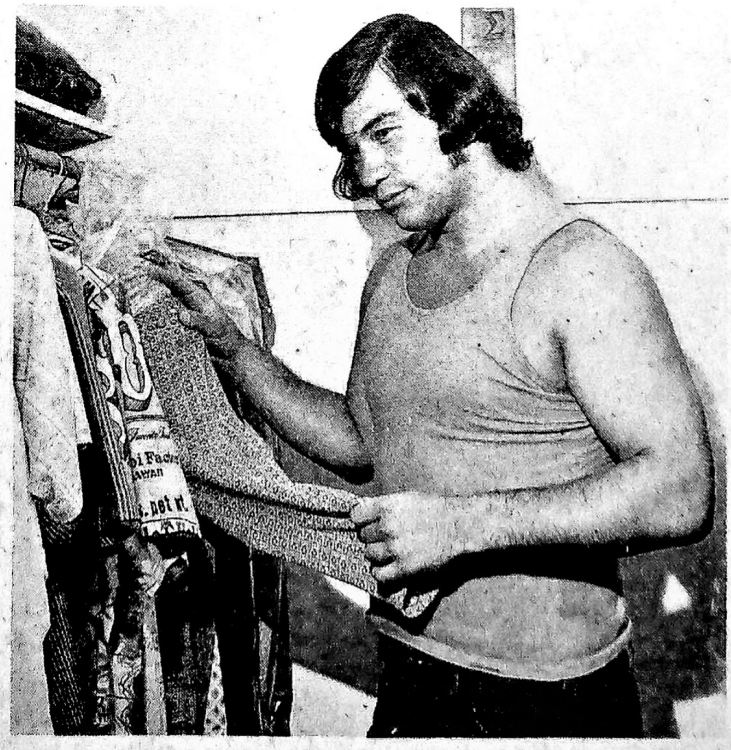


This sure is living! Jerry relaxes as he listens to the latest sounds on his head phones.



Jerry tries to choose from his wardrobe for a heavy date.

JERRY BRISCO
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it is to stay before you could really enjoy it. The real key is that most people wouldn't sacrifice what myself or any other wrestler must to get this life."

I mentioned that the U.S. had a great crop of young wrestlers and Jerry threw this in: "Do you realize that's where it's at? The young guys are going to change things in all sports, and in our sport they will puch wrestling to heights it never reached before. Over 50% of the country is under 25 years of age. So the young identify with the young. Look, right here in the Southeast, men like Jack, Dory Funk Jr., and Terry, Bobby Shane, Robert Fuller, Les Thatcher, Jim Dillon and the Andersons. They're tops and they keep the turnstiles clicking all over the territory night after night."

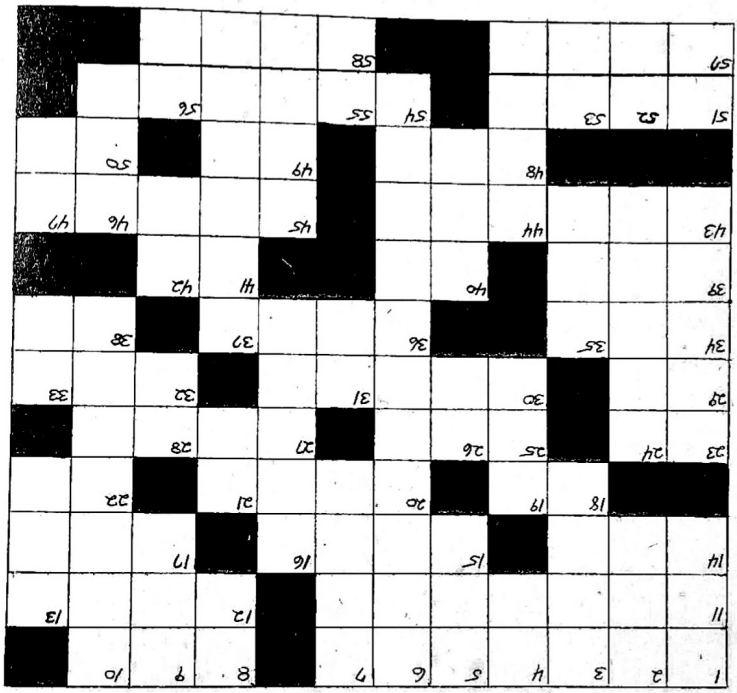
Yep, I think Jerry Brisco is right. It was a most interesting interview. You have to get inside to really understand, just like he says. The surface doesn't tell the behind scenes of a story. So just don't see the pretty girls who flock after him at arenas all over the country, or the fancy clothes he wears or the cars he drives. You have to see the hard work, the hundreds of miles he travels every week, eating at any restaurant that happens to be open late into the night; the bumps, bruises, sweat and grind, mat burns, sore, aching muscles, etc. And after you consider all this you may not think that wrestling and this young man's life is all glory and peaches and cream.

"Like any other profession, you have to put your whole heart and body into it; work hard to get to the pinnacle of anything worthwhile. You have to enjoy what you're doing, eat, breathe and sleep it. And most of all, put away a nest egg. No one can go on forever. I don't intend to stay in the sport when I can no longer give me best and please the crowd. Fans are a wrestler's bread and I try to give me best at all times."

Any way you look at it, this man seems destined to be around professional wrestling for a long time.

As I left his beautiful apartment, just by accident I went by the pool to get one last look at that girl in the bikini. She waved and said goodbye. Yep, damn right, he's got it all together in this best of all possible worlds!

WRESTLING REVUE "SPORTS-WORD" PUZZLE



By JOE MORGAN

ACROSS

1. Red ....., popular mat star.
8. ....., Mascaras, very skillful wrestler.
11. Southern state where wrestling matches can be seen.
12. George ....., wrestling announcer.
14. ..... Pae Pae, tough grappler.
15. In a "Battle Royal" there may be as many as ..... wrestlers in the ring at one time.
17. It usually affects old wrestlers the most.
18. Initials of Larry O'Dea, tough grappler.
20. The .....brothers, tag team
22. Last two initials of wrestler, John L. Sullivan.
23. Wrestler Dory Funk Jr. may call Dory Funk Sr. this.
25. Sherri ....., lady wrestler
27. ..... Bogni, villain wrestler
29. Initials of wrestler Antonio Rocca
30. ...., George, wrestling immortal (2 wds.)
32. ..... Freeman, tough veteran grappler.
34. ..... Hawk, villain wrestler.
36. Wrestler Nikita Mulkovich is from this country (abbreviation).
38. Initials of wrestler Kurt Von Brauner.
39. ..... Tiki, wrestler from Hawaii.
40. Initials of Nat Pendleton, former wrestler.
41. Last two initials of wrestler Ski Hi Lee
43. Wilbur ....., skillful wrestler
45. Atlantic ..... Tag Team Championship, type of wrestling title for tag teams.
48. ....., Jacobs, mat star from New Zealand.
49. Initials of grappler, Andre Drapp.
50. Initials of 9 down.
51. Peggy ..... popular lady wrestler.
54. Mike ....., English mat star.
57. Harley ....., tough grappler.
58. Karl Von ....., tough wrestler.

DOWN

1. The ....., masked wrestler.
2. Abbreviation for 11 across.
3. ..... Weingeroff, wrestling manager.
4. Initials of wrestler, Tom Bradley.
5. ..... Gilmour, tough grappler.
6. A very skillful wrestler (2 wds.)
7. ..... Oretga, tough wrestler.
8. Initials of Mitsu Arakawa, villian grappler.
9. ..... Judol, rough wrestler.
10. A wrestling hold.
13. ..... Thatcher, young wrestler.
16. Ted ....., tough grappler.
19. ..... Anderson, villain wrestler in the South.
21. ..... Bandito, tough grappler.
23. Reggie ....., skillful mat star.
24. Spiros ....., very skillful wrestler.
26. ..... Carpentier, "they flying Frenchman"
28. Initials of grappler Don Arnold.
31. Initials of wrestler Oki Shikuna.
33. Initials of 21 down.
35. Most wrestlers get it for wrestling.
37. Dusty ....., tough grappler.
40. State where wrestling matches may be seen (Abbreviation).
42. Berniece ..... Rue, lady grappler.
44. ..... Lewis, top notch wrestler.
45. "..... Match," type of wrestling match in which a steel fence is put around the ring to keep the wrestlers inside.
46. Lady wrestler Vivian Vachon to Mad Dog Vachon (slang).
47. Initials of lady wrestler, Tammy Jones.
51. ..... X, masked grappler,
52. Initials of wrestler Argentina Apollo
53. Initials of wrestler Haystack Calhoun.
55. Initials of Roy Shire, wrestler and promoter.

Solution In Next Month's Issue

Sloan cries in agony after being slammed to the mat.

kind of period occasionally and when it finally got squared away I began to realize what a mistake I had made. I reverted by to my original style and I once again found peace within myself."

Settling in the Florida territory, Don Curtis continued his wrestling career but started to take a more active role in many other fields related to wrestling. Of late, the popular Curtis has been devoting much of his time and energies in the development of young amateur talent for the Olympics and later for their eventual entry into the professional ranks. "Eddie Graham, Hiro Matsuda, Bob Roop, Jack Brisco and I have been concentrating our efforts on training the young boys who will be going to the Olympic games in Germany," Don Curtis stated. "I will most probably be going over there in the near future to officiate in the games as I am an International Official. We have a vast Olympic development program going on here in this country and I travel throughout the states officiating at all of the various meets. I've actually spent very few days at home recently but it has been so gratifying to work with these young people and I feel that it is well worth the effort."

The Amateur Development Program to which Don Curtis has been devoting so much of his time has attracted some very fine talent in the last couple of years. Most notable graduates included Jack Brisco and Bob Roop, two wrestlers who have undoubtedly risen to the head of the class. "Just take a look at Bob Roop and Jack Brisco. They are products of this program and watching them in action you can see why I feel that the program has been truly worthwhile. Now we are all keeping our eye on Big Chris Taylor who is just a young fellow but a four-hundred-pounder out of Iowa. He has great possibilities. We are trying to work with these youngsters who we feel have the talent and just working with these guys has been fantastic."

Throughout the years, Don Curtis has had the opportunity to see and also wrestle many of the different champions who have held the N.W.A. Heavyweight Title but he feels that the two former students of the amateur program rate right up there with these stars. "I feel that Jack Brisco and Bob Roop are two of the most outstanding prospects to come into the wrestling profession in quite some time," Curtis stated. "I've seen some great ones but these two guys have it all together. I think that in the near future Brisco will finally wrestle the N.W.A. title away from Dory Funk Jr. As for Bob Roop, he's very impressive and he's still developing himself. He puts one hundred percent into everything that he does. He has great size, power, speed, and you know what a combination that makes for. Just give him about two more years and I know that he will be battling the champions."

Even though Don Curtis has curtailed his wrestling activities somewhat, his speed and ability inside the ring have not diminished in the least. One can still see Don lash out at his opponents with his lightening fast drop kicks, and with his fames sleeper hold, Don Curtis is still a very feared man. Curtis would like to continue wrestling but his other interests have been taking up more and more of his time. However, Don will never leave the wrestling profession. "This is my life. This is what I really know well. In fact I am broadening my experiences in this profession by going into public relations and the results have been most gratifying. I've finally had to get my own plane to use in traveling across the country. I have been involved in promoting in Jacksonville, Florida, and I have also been doing the color commentating for Gordon Solie here in Florida which is a new and exciting opportunity for me. I've really enjoyed this kind of work but I first had to learn to keep my mouth shut at the right times. I don't feel that I should really get involved in criticizing some of these fellows for their antics in the ring. I try to avoid it but occasionally some of these guys really sting. When this happens I try to bite my tongue and just not say anything cause I feel that you can't intelligently analyze someone objectively when you have an unfavorable opinion towards this person. You have to judge a wrestler on his talent, skill, speed, ability, and not on whether you like him personally or not. Once you form an unfavorable opinion towards someone, whatever that person does is wrong. I really love what I'm doing. This has to be the greatest profession that anyone could pursue and I must say that I am very happy to be so actively involved in it."

The wrestling profession owes a debt of gratitude to people like Don Curtis, for it is the Don Curtises that help keep this profession alive.

HALL OF FAME

LUCIEN GREGOIRE
Montreal, Quebec

The name Lucien Gregoire has been synonymous with professional wrestling in Montreal for around fifty years. Gregoire started out as a lightweight wrestler back in the days when George Bothner ruled that division and it still was a major part of wrestling in Canada and the United States.

But he is being named to the Wrestling Hall of Fame because of his great work as a matchmaker. Montreal has always been a major league wrestling center and for that Gregoire is one of the most responsible.

For thirty nine years he served in the office of Eddie Quinn, the man who promoted some of the greatest cards ever seen anywhere during those years. Today he is the matchmaker for Grand Prix Wrestling, the new organization that has created a renaissance of professional wrestling in Montreal and all eastern Canada.

Lucien Gregoire may never be as well known as the many wrestling stars who gained fame under his capeable matchmaking, but there is no person more responsible for the great success of professional wrestling in Montreal and the rest of Eastern Canada over the past fifty years than Lucien Gregoire and for that reason the Wrestling Writers Association of America has elected him to the Hall of Fame this month.

THE TREACHEROUS ONE
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of it is as solid as granite. His style is strictly rugged. He can cope with absolutely any situation. "I like to wrestle rugged," he says, "and I'll test a guy to see if he can take it." Future opponents of Treach Phillips, if you have occasion to be on the receiving end of a "Phillips Special," an abdominal squasher, you better believe you've been tested.

Treach's interest in boxing has continued from his early days in Navy Smokers. He met so many tremendous boxers there, and many have continued with boxing and made it their profession, either as participants, trainers, managers or in some way stayed with the sport they had learned to love.

Good friends of Treach's have included Rocky Marciano, Joe Frazier, John Ireland, Joe Louis, Jack Dempsey and, though he only knew Max Baer "fairly well," he was extremely fond of the man. It's that way in sports though. There's a camaraderie, a bond of friendship that, once established, remains throughout life.

Now, after slightly more than 15 years experience in the ranks of the professionals, Treach has wrestled all over the United States, in Canada, Mexico and down into South America. He has gotten involved in some vicious feuds over the years. Victims of his wrath have been Tony Borne, Bull Curry, Bully Wicks, Sputnik Monroe and Georgeous George. As a matter of fact, having gotten into a really big hassle with the father, he found himself battling tooth and nail with Georgeous George Jr. for awhile. That feud almost did them both in and it never really was resolved.

Treach has had three big opportunities during his professional career. He has three times come that close to being a champion. He went after Danny Hodge's Jr. heavyweight title once when he was a bit lighter than he is now. It was a close match and an extremely exciting one to watch, but Hodge tenaciously clung to his title and retained it.

The second big chance was the bout with Lou Thesz when he was champion. That match was a heart-breaker for Phillips fans and a heart-stopper for Thesz fans – it was that close. Once again, Treach had to content himself with "almost."

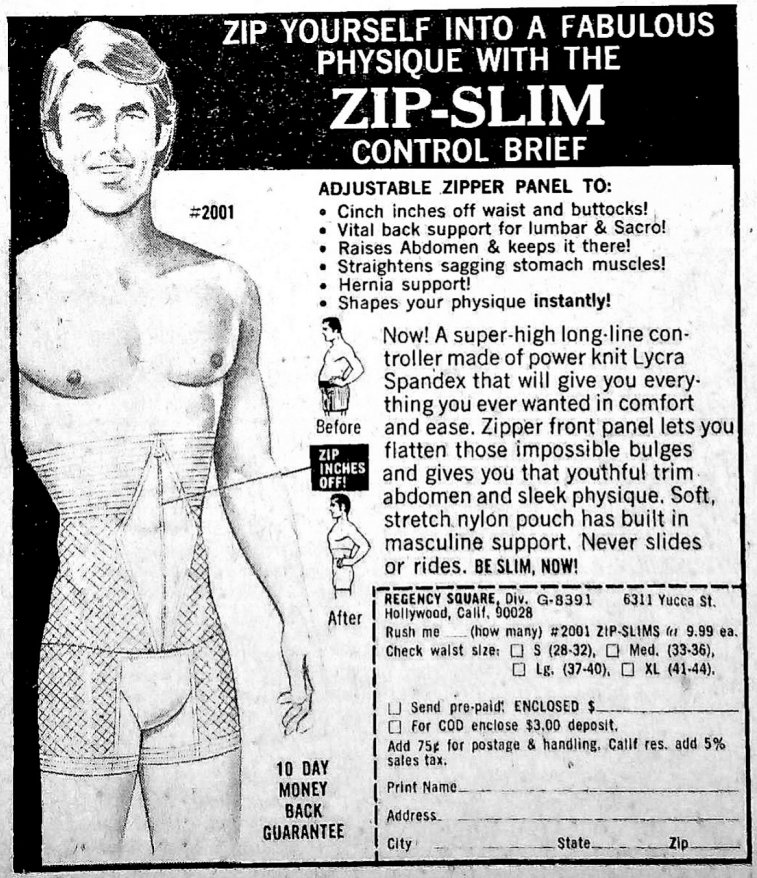
The third time was to have been the charm. Treach was confident he was going to walk off with the title. Maybe he was over-confident. But the fact remains that he was in the ring with the wrestler whom it has been proved is the greatest professional wrestler of the past 25 years.

Treach says that one was close, but then everyone who has a match with Verne Gagne likes to claim that "it was close." Unless they are lying in a hospital bed swathed in bandages and under sedation as a result of an encounter with Gagne, they all shout "close." But just the fact that Treach Phillips left the ring under his own steam and on his own two feet proves that he is quite a man and quite a wrestler.

As hard to get along with in the ring as Treach Phillips is sometimes, he is a delightful companion given some time off and the inclination to relax a bit. He's not a glamour boy or a culture nut. Aside from wrestling, he does the kind of things you and I like to do. His hobbies are fun and comfortable and you don't need to be an expert to enjoy doing them with him. Treach Phillips is Everyman, going to the movies when he has a night off, enjoying a love story on the screen now and then (in fact, "Love Story" is one of his recent favorites), carrying his 35mm Aries around and shooting candid pictures of a child, a dog, a street scene, whatever takes his fancy.

He is not a boring man, impressed with self. His interests are as varied as pop ballads and classics, Hank Locklin and Vaughn Monroe. He is very good at swimming and free diving, a good horseman, only fair on the bowling alleys, and he excels at a very corny game called Rummy. Playing it with Treach, it ceases to be a corny game. He is a good companion.

Who is his favorite above all the singing stars he enjoys listening to? Of course, it's none other than the man who claims that Treach Phillips is his favorite wrestler – Elvis Presley.



INSIDE EUROPEAN WRESTLING
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Changeable, sardonic, monocled, he is worth all the demons who haunt the German folklore, and he is becoming the master in the gallery of "traitors," Kaiser amuses the crowds, makes them indignant and enflamed. Herr Doctor, what an artist, who with a mask played the diabolical. I would award the Oscar for all-in wrestling to the Luciferian Kaiser, who is both "Mr. Wit" and "Mr. Muscle," Wagnerian in his greatest moments, more demonic that all the demons put together.

Since his retirement from wrestling at the Circus, he had been replaced by the Anvil of the ring in the person of Peter Kayser with the rough features, but who is a very great wrestler. Kayser is a pure German product, brutal, savage, violent, scurvy, treacherous, but one of the most efficient and everyone remembers his famous fight against the Olympic Guy Mercier who finished his fight in the hospital. Eric Von Muller, the artist for forbidden blows, who is not very popular due to his continuous savagery and his disrespect for anything or anybody.

The "Bavarians," Rudy Saturski and Alfred Wentzell, two efficient and pleasant wrestlers, won over the French audiences; Saturski is very capable and found fame under the name of "Taylor" when he returned from the United States and he formed a team in Paris with Wentzell and they became the "Golden Boys" before finally taking the name of the "Bavarians." These two German wrestlers knew great moments of glory throughout the whole of France where they were nearly always victorious and crushed the great teams of "tag team matches": Bollet and Delaporte, Frank Valois and Paul Vachon, De Lassartesse and Robert Gastel, and in the company of Eddie Wiecz-Carpentier they won the famous match with six against Bollet, Delaporte and Zaranoff.

The son of Rudy Saturski has become Allan Stark, the American. Many other wrestlers from Germany are coming to our country but it is impossible to speak about all of them. Nevertheless, we shall briefly mantion two great stars of the moment: Horst Hoffman and Jack De Lassartesse. You know what praise is being paid to them and they are certainly the two greatest wrestlers in Europe at the present time.

Tournament in Austria The competitors:

Jean Louis Breston (Belgium, 156 kgs.), Guiseppe De Daidonne (Italy, 90 kgs.), Yvan Strogoff (Russia, 108 kgs.), Luis Salazar (Sultan Negro, 91 kgs.), Gerd Brecht (Germany, 105 kgs.), Gergentua Moran (England, 120 kgs.), Otto Wanz (Austria), Arpad Weber (Hungary). El Corso, Micheal Nador (Hungary), Fernand Bawin (Canada), Hans Strez (Germany), Emile Rolland (France), El Jock Cameron (England), Angel Grey (Austria), Manrique Gomez Maximilliani (Perou), Gunther Nordhoff (Germany), Jimmy Dula (Guadeloupe), Jose Arroyo (Spain), Achim Chall (Germany), Nick de Groote (Holland), Tzim Atlas (Sud-Africa), Nino Mercury (Italy), Eugene Wiesberger (Germany), Manuel Landro (Spain), Michel Barone (Italy), Geo Vasseur (France), Georg Blemenschultz (Germany), Hans Schnabl (Germany).

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FAN CLUB CHATTER

By DON WILSON

Club president Linda Thacker presents Jackie Fargo with a trophy.

Wreslting fan Don Rowlett with Marlene Belkus.

Welcome to another issue of Fan Club Chatter and a word of great importance: when joining a club or sending for various material, PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME on the letter. I have received a number of letters that are nearly impossible to read, and have received word from others they are receiving similar mail. Also, due to the high postage rates, send at least a stamp when writing and requesting something, as nearly all clubs operate at a loss, and this certainly helps the club officers use the dues for the betterment of the club.

Want to know more about the WRESTLING FANS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION? Send one dollar for newsletter, convention brochure and convention program to W.F.I.A. Info., P.O. Box 11007, St. Louis, Mo. 63135, and this dollar will apply to your annual dues of $2.50. It might also be of interest to learn we are planning to hold our annual 1973 convention in Detroit. Complete details available later, or by sending a stamp to above address. Also for 1973, regional conferences are being planned for Minneapolis and the Dallas-Ft. Worth areas, plus New York and Florida or Georgia.

One of the top club publications received this month is the "Lean Mean Machine" the official bulletin from the BOCKWINKEL BRIGADE, which honors through the outstanding efforts of prexie Mick Karch and the support of the membership, the one and only NICK BOCKWINKEL. The publications are well done, interesting, and in a unique manner. They're only 50 cents a copy or $2.50 a year, and are issued five times a year. Suggest you at least try a sample copy, so write to Mick at 5621 Minnetonka Blvd., No. 210, St. Louis Park, Minnesota, 55416.

Another outstanding publication is "THE GOLDEN YEARS" and thanks to Jeffrey Siegel, 95 Sedwick Ave., Yonkers, N.Y. 10705, for sending Nostalgianzine number two. Anyone who is interested in wrestling dating back a few years will find this quite interesting, and just 50 cents.

Scott Teal, president of the Tampa

Mick Karch, the president of the Nick Bockwinkel Fan Club, with his honorary.

Scene, advised a change in the name. The club is now known as FLORIDA FAN-FARE, 3208 23rd Ave., West., Bradenton, Florida 33505. Dues are still 35 cents for a sample copy and $4.00 a year.

While not a club so to speak, but one of the finest publications to cross my desk, is the WRESTLING INFORMATION BULLETIN. This issue was 40 pages, packed with newsworthy content, and a real bargain at 60 cents, or $3.00 for the next 5 issues. Ron Dobratz, the editor, certainly puts forth some effort, so drop him some loot at P.O. Box 1807, Rockford, Ill. 61110.

Gosh, the current publication from Christine Copelan, President of the MR' WRESTLING FAN CLUB, P.O. Box 774, Alachua, Florida 32615, was really great, and has to be one of the best clubs in operation. Christine advised due to increased coasts, including postage, the dues have been increased to $3.50 a year for the quarterly bulletins, membership card and photo. Try it, you'll like it.

Another outstanding publication, issued twice a month, is the DROP-KICK, Brian Maton, Editor, 15697 Plaza Drive, Taylor, Mich. 48180. Try a sample copy for 50 cents

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Always interesting is the club publication from the VIVIAN VACHON FAN CLUB, headed by Brian Kaplan, 896 Jubilee Ave., Winnipeg 13, Manitoba, Canada, and also nice to receive is the 8 X 10 photos. Annual dues are only $2.50.

Thanks to Kathy Sxalewski president of the A.W.A. FAN CLUB, for sending her current publication, always well done and interesting. This issue was 22 pages, plus you will receive a membership card and 5 X 7 color photo for yearly dues of $4.00 remember the publication comes every month, so send the green to Kathy at 1003 South 16th Street, Atp. 11, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53204.

Linda Thacker, president, Jackie Fargo, honorary, and Becky Patterson, vice president of the Jackie Fargo Fan Club.

While the MAT REPORT by Jeff Cooper, 2145 W. Arhtur, Chicago, Ill. 60645, is somewhat of a new club, the publications show a lot of experience. Sure appreciate Jeff keeping me informed with the club's bi-monthly issues. Send 35 cents for sample copy or $1.00 for three great issues.

The EAST COAST NEWS BULLETIN from Nick D'Avanzo, 3660 Carlisle Road, Wantagh, New York 11793, normally is about four pages, and is issued on a monthly basis.

Glad to see the JACKIE FARGO CLUB is off to a flying start, and prexie Linda Thacker sent me the following club material: an 8 X 10 photo, club button saying "I'm on Jackie's team", and the first issue of the Fargo Fantasy, which is the club's monthly bulletin. Complete details available by writing Linda at 1382 So. 6th St., Louisville, Kentucky 40208.

The "Pride of Mexico" is the name of the bi-monthly publications from Joyce Wilkerson, president of the JOSE LOTHARIO FAN CLUB, 302, N.W. 9th Ave., Miami, Florida 33128, and needless to say, Jose is proud of Joyce as his club prexie, as she's done an outstanding job. To prove it, the club has won several awards. Better try this one.

David Meltzer, 6562 Winterset Way, San Jose, Calif. 95120, sent his current monthly issue of the CALIFORNIA WRESTLING REPORT newsletter, 6 pages of various mat action, and just 25 cents.

Because of vacations, the SAN FRANCISCO ALL STAR WRESTLING NEWSLETTER received this month was just one page according to Joe Fernandez, President, 319 Sweeny St., San Francisco 94134, and available for 15 cents.

Joe Combs, head of the LOUIS TILLET FAN CLUB is offering a composite of back issues called "The Best of the Main Event" for 75 cents. Waiting to see a copy; should be good, based on previous experience with Joe. Send your money to him at P.O. Box 152, Miami Shores, Florida 33153.

Stan Galanski, president of the WRESTLING ACTION FAN CLUB, writes they will no longer issue free newsletters, but will retain the quarterly bulletins and color snapshot, just $1.50 a year. Stan's address is 302 West Cherry Street, New Castle, Pa. 16102.

The current quarterly 16-page club publication from the JACK & JERRY BRISCO FAN CLUB, included a photo offset cover, and thanks to Wayne Lebo for keeping me informed on the club's progress. You too can be a member of the club for these two young mat stars, by writing Wayne at 1825 Daytonia Road, Miami Beach, Florida 33141.

While the NORTHWEST WRESTLING REPORT was interesting, the printing was on paper too thin, and thus was hard to read. The bi-monthly issues are available from Steve Midbust, 121 Bauer Lane, Eugene, Oregon 97402, just $2.00 for the first year, plus photos, membership card and other items.

Stuart Saks, prexie of the WRESTLING RESULTS, does a fine job with his monthly publication, usually about 16 pages, and just 40 cents a copy. Try one; send the coin to Stuart at 14 Mitchell Ave., Plainview, N.Y. 11803.

One of the oldest active clubs is WRESTLING REPORT FAN CLUB, headed by Mike Tenay, 8952 Mills Ave., Whittier, California 90605. Just received the 56th issue of Mat News, one of the best newsletters, and still only 25 cents.

This month's issue of EAST COAST WRESTLING RESULTS, Steven Silverstein, Editor, 4006 Demont Road, Seaford, N.Y. 11783, was 19 pages, and as usual well done and interesting. Only $2.75 a year or 35 cents for a sample copy.

Another monthly publication that is always interesting is THE FLYING MARLIN NEWS, from the EDDIE MARLIN FAN CLUB, Headed by Dorothy Smith and Charlene Durnil, 5517 Rustic Way, Louisville, Kentucky 40218. These two gals do a fine job. I certainly enjoyed my visit with them in Louisville a few months back.

THE NEW ENGLAND W.W.W.F. NEWS is an excellent publication, received bi-monthly from prexie Terry Allen, 110 Atlantic Ave., Marblehead, Mass. 01945. Only 35 cents for single issue or three of these well-done issues for $1.00.

Received a signed permission slip from Carol Peddycoart, 409 North 16th Street, Moorhead, Minn. 56560, starting a club for mat ace, LARRY HENNIG. Dues will be $2.50 a year for two color photos, plus two color wallet photos, membership card and

five bulletins. Good luck, Carol.

Received the first newsletter and club 8 X 10 photo form Penny Green, president of the MISSOURI MAULER & BRUTE BERNARD FAN CLUB. Complete details from Penny by writing 110 Charles Street, Havelock, North Carolina 28532.

This month's issue of the NORTHEAST WRESTLING SCENE by Roy DeFichy and Tony Sofio, 650 Land, Seaford, New York 11783, was 16 pages including the cover, and only 35 cents or $2.50 a year.

Martin Flaherty and Michele DeAngelis sent their monthly issue of the BOSTON GARDEN REPORT, which was six pages including a cover, for 35 cents. Drop the coin to them at 184 Monticello Ave., Dorchester, Mass. 02125.

WRESTLING ACTION is the name, and correspondents from all countries overseas are needed by club prexie Stan Galanski, 302 W. Cherry St., New Castle, Pa. 16102. Thanks, Stan, for sending your current newsletter.

Another new club (I received the first bulletin) which was 8 pages from Peter Stavrakoglou, president of the OLYMPIC Auditorium 7 KEYSTONE WRESTLING CLUB MAT NEWS, and it is available for 25 cents and two 8 cent stamps, which should be sent to Peter at 9 Virgil Drive, Brentwood, N.Y. 11717.

Tony Alexander, 227 Jefferson Road,. Hoffman Estates, Ill. 60172, writes they have decided to publish the Wonderful World of Wrestling on a quarterly basis, for 50 cents an issue and 8 cent stamp, and they will be at least 6 pages. . .sounds kind of high for 6 pages. Philip Goodfriend, please send Tony your correct address.

Dave Burzynski and Allan Cooper of THE MICHIGAN SCENE advise they are not accepting new members. Single issues available for 50 cents, send it to them at 8294 Olympia, Detroit, Mich. 48213.

Congratulations are in order to Linda Abbott on her recent marriage. Then with their father having to to into the hospital, this caused sister Debbie, prexie of the TERRY KAY FAN CLUB, Route 1, Box 16, Timberville, Va. 22853, to get behind a bit, so all you members, keep your cool.

Another new club, according to Nancy Keener, president of the TONY GAREA FAN CLUB, 1242 N.W. 15th Terr., Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33311, and thanks for sending the signed permission slip. The vice president will be Josephine Pail, 1760 N.W. 18th St., Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, 33311. Dues will be $2.00 a year, for 8 X 10 color photo, membership card and monthly bulletins.

Well here we go with a list of fans with items to sell, and where noted, what they sent to indicate their sincerity.

First off, the W.F.I.A. has a list of 15 jumbo color photos of the recent Boston Conference, for only $5.00, plus a bonus item worth at least fifty cents. All photos by ace photographer Dave Burzynski, and include shots of Abe Ford, Chief Jay Strongbow, The Grand Wizard, Jim Valiant, Ricki Sexton, wonder souveniors, send the loot to W.F.I.A. Photos, P.O. Box 11007, St. Louis, Mo. 63135.

Tim "Moose" Carlseon, 2720 W. Howard Ave., Milwaukee, Wisc. 53221, send list and sample photos. Send s.a.e.

Ray Malosiecki, 3263 Almond St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19134, sent list and sample photos. Send s.a.e.

Received letters advising the problems concerning Brad McFarlin, 16112 Middlebury Drive, Dearborn, Michigan 48120, have been corrected so drop him a note and stamp for his list.

John Wesolowski, 3415 Wellington St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19149. Send two stamps for his list and free sample, which he sent me. This list was six pages.

Always get some great photos from Gene Gordon, and if you'll send him a stamp and advise if you're interested in midgets, girls or men's photo lists, he will send them via return mail. Gene's address is 419 Sylvania Ave., Charlotte, North Carolina 28206.

Ken Todd, 346 E. Sheldon St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19120, send s.a.e. for list, thanks for sending the three color photos.

Ruth Oman, 3011 N.W. 18th Terr., Miami, Florida 33125, 3 X 5 silk finish color, send s.a.e. for list. Thanks, Ruth, for the excellent samples.

My good friend, Bill Ondecko, 2105 E. William, Decatur, Illinois 62521, sent some 11 X 14 photos as samples of his work. Really enjoyed them Bill, and hope my readers send an s.a.e for your list.

Another good friend, Michel Bezy, Les Genets, 3 Rue de Chambord, 33 Pessac, France, would like to trade

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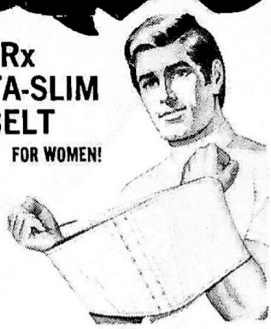

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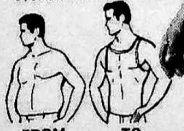

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photos for posters from Madison Square Garden and the arena in Chicago, and for the Mexican wrestling magazines, plus would like to obtain all kinds of old films, photos and any wrestling items for his collection. Michel would also like to exchange material regularly. Michel, many thanks for the wonderful photos.

Gerhard Schaefer, 332 Salzgitter-Lebenstedt, Moorgraben Nr. 10 West Germany, sent his wrestling results, including all results of THE DESTROYER while he was there, which he would like to exchange for other wrestling material. Many thanks for the samples.

Dean Silverstone, Box 1631, Bellevue, Washington 98009, advises the excellent Seattle programs are now available through the mail, just $2.00 for ten big issues, via first class postage. Also available, 48-page Northwest Photo Albums for $1.35. Dean also operates the BOBBY SHANE club, no dues required. Send s.a.e. for complete details. Many thanks, Dean, for the programs and photo albums, very good, and certainly enjoyed them all.

Andre Tellier, 110 Uncatena Ave., Worchester, Mass. 01606, writes he would like to sell his magazine collection, so send an s.a.e. for his list.

Ester Peaks, 108 S. Edgefield, Dallas, Texas 75208, is selling various wrestling items. Send s.a.e. for list.

Send s.a.e. to Fred Blasford, 11325 Rutherford, Detorit, Mich. 48227, for his list of mat items.

Lee Applebaum, 24 Maryland Ave., Baltimore, Md. 21208, sent a copy of his new wrestling game; try 10 cards for 40 cents.

Gary Kamensack, 12265 Corbett, Detroit, Michigan 48213, would like to trade photos with fans in Toronto, St. Louis, Buffalo, Honolulu and Tokyo. Thanks for the fine samples you sent.

James Ward, 74 Moore Avenue, Oceanside, New York 11572, would like to hear from men and girls from 18-30 who would like to wrestle amateur in his area.

Bobby Brown, 20130 Eagle Nest Rd., Miami, Florida 33157, would like to buy photos of FRED BLASSIE, JOHN & CHRIS TOLOS, BLACK GORDMAN, GOLIATH, KILLER KOWALSKI, BILLY GRAHAM & KENJI SHEBUA.

Norm Ingeldsen, 23 West Fee Ave., Melbourne, Florida 32901, would like to hear from fans of JACK & JERRY BRISCO, THUNDERBOLT PATTERSON, TIM WOODS, DALE LEWIS, APOLLO.

Wade Smith, 5495 Bourret Ave., Montreal 252 Quebec, Canada, would like to obtain photos of MAURICE VACHON, ED CARPENTIER & JEAN FERRE.

Charles Poole Jr., 6006 Irving St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19139, would like to trade color photos with fans in the U.S. and Japan.

Douglas Capaul, 106 N. Barber St., Polo, Illinois 61064, would like to hear from girls who wrestle amateur or professionally.

Lil-Al's Wrestling Photos, P.O. Box 4, Port Allen, La. 70767, send two 8 cent stamps for his excellent list. Thanks, Al, for the beautiful color photos.

Joe LaBargo, 94 Targee St. Staten Island, N.Y. 10304, would like to hear from fans of BLASSIE, TOLOS BROS., MASCARAS, GORDMAN, GOLIATH & RAUL MATA.

Dave Gross, D-142 Towers, Wagner College, Staten Island, N.Y. 10301, would like to hear from all persons interested in amateur wrestling.

Meiko Hayashi, 19-1th, Tamachi, Ichigaya, Shinjubu-ku, Tokyo, Japan, would like to hear from fans in the U.S.

Here is a new club I'm looking forward to, TEEN AMATEUR WRESTLERS UNITED, Don Rowlett, President, 486 Fatherland Street, Nashville, Tenn. 37206. Dues will be $2.00 a year for membership card, bi-monthly bulletins, and is open to all teenagers interested in becoming pro wrestlers.

While not a club, but one of the most interesting publications is the RINGSIDE REPORTER, from Susan Harman, Editor, 40 Irving Road, Eugene, Oregon 97402. This monthly newsletter comes out the 10th of each month, and is well worth the $2.50 yearly subscription pprice. Better try this one.

Another excellent publication is the WRESTLING GAZETTE, Ken Taylor, Editor, 642 W. 16th St., Plano, Texas 75074, available for 50 cents per single issue or $5.00 for a year's subscription to this monthly newspaper. I certainly recommend this.

So ends another issue of Fan Club Chatter, hope you all enjoyed this, and if you write and require an answer to your letter, be sure and send a stamp. See ya next month.

GUST KARRAS
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"Wrestling has been wonderful to me. Not only to make a good living, but to give my children an education." His son is a radiologist in San Francisco while his daughter teaches school in St. Joseph.

"In 1962 I took two capable partners and started 'Heart of America Wrestling Club'; Bob Geigel, a great wrestler as amateur and pro; Pat O'Connor, former world champion. We are a promoter combine now, states of Kansas (Topeka, Wichita, Kansas City and smaller towns), Iowa (Bubuque, Des Moines, Cedar Rapids, Waterloo, Ottumwa and smaller towns) and Missouri (Sedalia, Kansas City, St. Joseph and smaller towns). We run two shows, sometimes three a day. Book steady 18-20 wrestlers, 5-6 girls. Also booking midgets."

There are two booking offices, one in Kansas City, Missouri located in the Kansas Citian Hotel. The other at St. Joseph, Missouri, 713 Edmond Street.

The topic of wrestlers of today compared with those of yesterday was put forth as Gust talked on: "In my career I've seen lots of great wrestlers from the years 1918-72. Many still going strong. Seen probably every great wrestler who has appeared in this country."

"In my opinion – pound for pound, the greatest wrestlers: Jim Londos, John Pesek, Ed Santell, and Earl Caddock. In junior heavyweight – 200 pound class: LeRoy McGuirk, one of the greatest; Hugh Nicols and Charlie "Midget" Fischer. And in the heavyweight division. I will say in their prime, Joe Stetcher, Ed Strangler Lewis, Lou Thesz, Orville Brown, Lee Wycuff and Ray Steele also were the greatest."

Asked whom he considered the top wrestlers of today Mr. Karras replied, "Dory Funk, Jr., Verne Gagne, Jack Brisco, Bruno Sammartino, Pedro Morales and a few others."

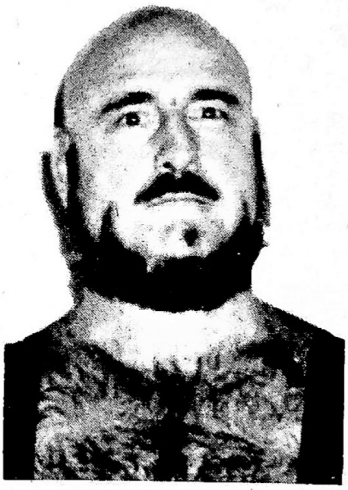
Having covered most of the questions I intended to ask in his conversation, I quickly checked my notes and came up with a few more!

DO WOMEN BELONG IN WRESTLING? "Definitely! Because women are in other sports, swim, track, golf, tennis, basketball and discus." He has seen all the great women athletes, from the late Babe Didrickson Zaharias on. Two top female mat stars who got started with Mr. Karras' help are Kay Noble and Betty Niccoli.

WHY IS WRESTLING POPULAR? "Through television, plus in wrestling, today's generation wants action, thrills and spills all the time. That's why wrestling is at an all time high in viewing."

HOW WOULD YOU ADVISE ANYONE WISHING TO BECOME A WRESTLER? "Wrestling requires tremendous hard training: combine weight-lifting, calisthenics, and running. And above all, wrestling on the mat. That's what will give you the endurance and fortitude."

HOW DO THE WRESTLERS OF TODAY COMPARE WITH THE WRESTLERS OF 40 YEARS AGO? "Wrestling today is more dangerous.



THE VACHONS – "Most vicious."

Every wrestler has some type of injury. In the old days you were careful, no kicking, stomping, no throwing out of ring. Today's pro demanding action, you gotta go top speed. Wrestlers are rougher today than 40-50 years ago."

SHOULD ANY WRESTLING HOLDS BE BARRED? "I don't see why any holds should be barred except eye gouging, hitting low and stranglehold."

I went on to ask Mr. Karras his opinion of some well known wrestling stars:

BARON VON RASCHKE – "very good wrestler."

DICK THE BRUISER – "Most powerful of all."

THE SHIEK – "Outstanding, uncomparable."

HARLEY RACE – "With no doubt the most unpredictable and colorful wrestler wearing tights in ring. He's there to win regardless."

JOHN and CHRIS TOLOS – "Very capable, outstanding team in nation."

VERNE GAGNE – "He can easily be called the 'man of 1,000 holds'."

FRITZ VON ERICH – "Special tribute, as an uncrowned champion."

WHAT MAKES A CHAMPION? "A wrestler who has a little more than the other guy."

WHAT IS YOUR OPINION OF TAG TEAMS? "Spectacular and thrilling to the public."

Efforts are being made to recognize one MAJOR wrestling champion. Only Dory Funk, Jr. and Verne Gagne are world champions since Pedro Morales is no longer being billed as such. Mr. Karras, do you feel there will ever be one major wrestling alliance champion? "There should be one champion. A tournament should be held."

IS WRESTLING FAKE? "Wrestling is a business like any othe thing! Winners get the most money. Winners make three times as much as the opening attraction. Wrestlers add more showmanship because public demands it. Same thing in other sports, hockey, football, tennis, golf as well as pro roller skating."

Advice from Mr. Karras' first wrestling lesson is worth repeating: "When your shoulder is pinned to mat, referee counts one! Fight! Two! Fight! Three! Fight! Put all you have in last split second. Never give up!"

"Never give up"...down through the years Mr. Karras never conceded in anything he attempted. He struggled and fought the odds. Now at the age of 70, he has overcome a major obstacle. Last year he battled diabetes, being in and out of the hospital several times. In the battle he lost a leg...he made a remarkable recovery. In a matter of weeks he was back at the matches in a wheelchair and was fitted for an artificial limb. Today with the use of a cane he is walking about. He continues to travel to his cities night after night.

Being a wrestling fan for a long time I ahve met many people in this business but no individual impressed me more than Gust Karras. He is a remarkable man. He is a beautiful person. And to my way of thinking, he is truly the REAL Golden Greek of wrestling!

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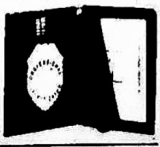

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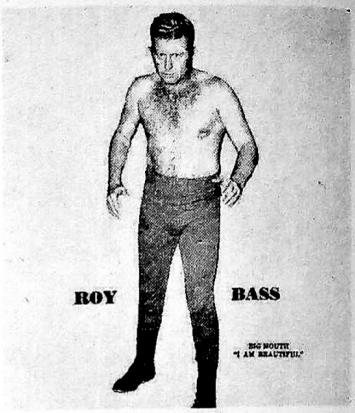

Roy Bass, the man who is down on Kentucky.

Joe Ball, wrestler who is also a Louisville policeman.

THE MANAGER'S CORNER
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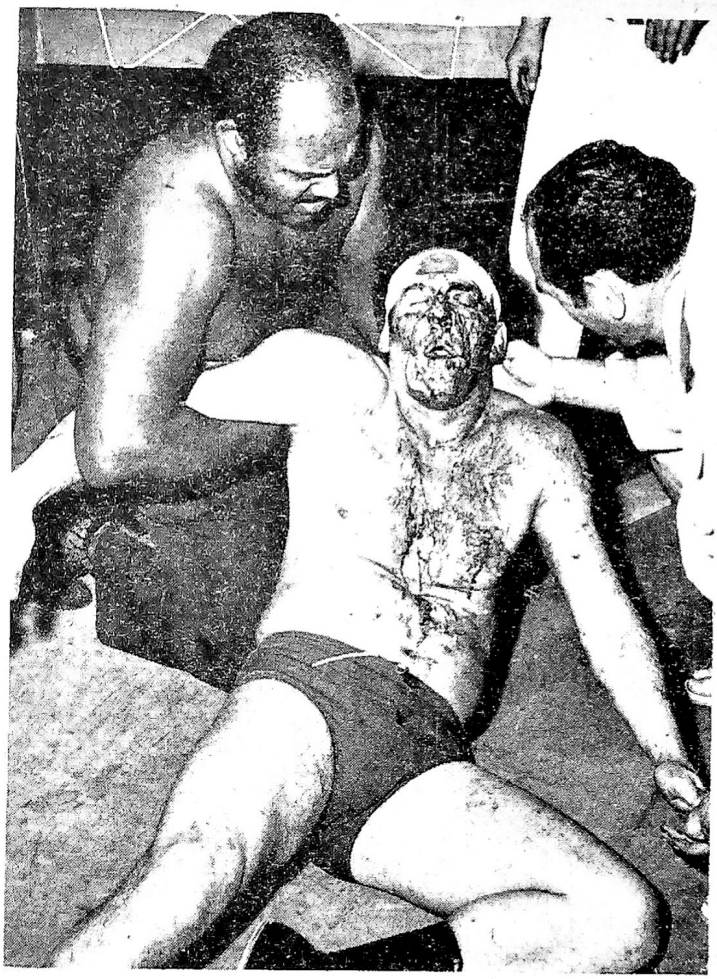
I had a letter from Linda Collins of El Paso, Tecas, asking me who is the Red Devil managed by J.C. Dykes. Linda, if I knew I would tell you, but J.C. Dykes keeps it a secret. Even the promoters and other wrestlers don't know, much as they would like to.

A letter from Bill Harding Jr. who wants to know if Bear Cat Brown and Bear Cat Wright are one person. No. Bear Cat Wright and Bear Cat Brown are two great wrestlers and not the same person.

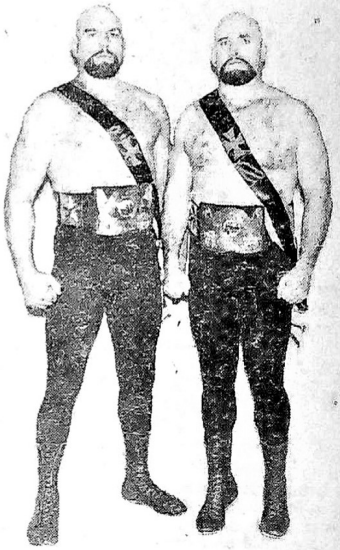
Martin Linn of Mayfield, Ky., writes: How can we get rid of Roy Bass from these parts? He gets on TV and talks bad about us Kentuckians.

All I can say is when he is on TV, turn to another station.

Ray Gunkel, the 1958 Olympic



Bear Cat Brown comes to the aid of his partner Len Rossi after a violent match with The Von Brauner Brothers.



Gentleman Saul's Kurt and Karl Von Brauner.

Lorenzo Parente and Bobby Hart, the Continental Warriors.

Wrestling champion and great professional wrestler, who made his home in Atlanta, died in Georgia after a wrestling match. Ray had just won his match and went to the dressing room to shower. He did, was drying himself out. The promoter came in to ask Ray if he was going to the National Alliance Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, Ray answered that he wasn't sure yet. As the promoter turned to walk out, he saw Ray as he jumped about two feet in the air like he had been struck by lightning, and dropped dead of a heart attack. At first everybody in the dressing room thought he was joking, but when they saw that he didn't move, they called for an ambulance, tried mouth to mouth resuscitation. Too late, Ray had died. His heart burst and Ray ceased to live. Ray Gunkel was from Purdue University, and was a well-to-do professional wrestler, with many investments. He wrestled for the love of the sport mostly in his last years. He had made his fortune in wrestling. Most of it in Texas and Atlanta, Georgia. Ray was orginally from Indiana. He had many a match with the best in the game. Lou Thesz, Black Guzman, Argentino Rocca, Pat O'Conner, Dick Hutton, Genes Kiniski, and all the greats.

Anyone who cares to write to me, address me in care of Wrestling Revue, 351 Manville Road, Pleasantville, N.Y. 10570.

That's all for now from the Manager of the Year.

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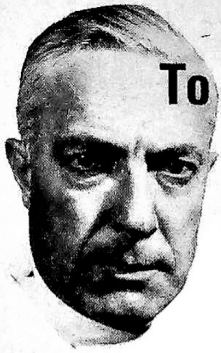

If you are troubled by thinning hair, dandruff, itchy scalp, if you fear approaching baldness, read the rest of this statement carefully. It may mean the difference to you between saving your hair and losing the rest of it to eventual baldness.

Baldness is simply a matter of subtraction. When the number of new hairs fail to equal the number of falling hair, you end up minus your head of hair (bald). Why not avoid baldness by preventing unnecessary loss of hair? Why not turn the tide of battle on your head by eliminating needless causes of hair loss and give Nature a chance to grow more hair for you? Many of the country's dermatologists and other foremost hair and scalp specialists believe that seborrhea, a common scalp disorder, causes hair loss. What is seborrhea? It is a bacterial infection of the scalp that can eventually cause permanent damage to the hair follicles. Its visible evidence is "thinning" hair. Its end result is baldness. Its symptoms are dry, itchy scalp, dandruff, oily hair, head scales, and progressive hair loss.

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FUJI AND TANAKA
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was about to be pinned or forced to submit, the other would illegally charge into the ring and save his countryman.

But probably the major complaint of fallen foes was that Tanaka and Fuji made use of the deadly art of Karate to stop ring foes. Of course they claim that all they throw at opponents are judo chops which are legal under wrestling rules. Both men admit that they are trained in the deadly art of karate but have sworn only to make use of their knowledge in a case of life or death. They have gone on further to explain the difference between karate and a judo chop. A karate blow is thrown with the ends of the fingers thrown straight in. On the other hand a judo chop is thrown with the side of the hand striking an opponent.

The Tanaka and Fuji team is quite colorful as they make their way to the ring, they dress in beautiful Oriental robes, wooden shoes, and very bright ring garb.

Another of the highlights of seeing the team in person is to watch the colorful pre-match ring ceremony. During their pre-match ritual, which has religious significance, they throw ceremonial salt to the four winds.

Their pre-match ritual brings into the scene another point that fallen foes have complained about. Many wrestlers and fans alike feel that the two crafty grapplers don't throw all their salt to the four winds. Many claim that they conceal a portion of the salt in their trunks and later rely on it when they are in a dangerous predicament. More than one person who has been defeated by them claims that he was blinded by salt thrown in his eyes and was easily pinned.

The Grand Wizard has kept his promises to Tanaka and Fuji and led them to the W.W.W. F. World Tag Team Title. In a very torrid and exciting ring battle they won the title from Chief Jay Strongbow and Sonny King. Strongbow and King lodged a three point protest after the title loss. They claimed that Tanaka and Fuji made use of karate, salt, and they also had to keep one eye on what the Grand Wizard was doing.

Only time will tell how long they will hold onto the title, but one thing is for sure they will go down in history as one of the most hated and controversial teams of all time.

READER'S PROS AND CONS
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news for you. Most of the best grapplers are in the Virginia-Carolina area, The grapplers I just mentiones are all in this area. Hawk, Hanson, or Hart could just whip any wrestler in their area. Gary Hart, who isn't even a full-time wrestler, could wipe the floor with that brainless Crusher, or that drunken bum, the Bruiser.

And, if you will notice, the only reason the NWA grapplers go to the AWA area is to have an easy time. I don't know how Verne Gagne has been lucky enough to keep that sorry title that he has, for if Rip or Swede really wanted it thay could win it very easily. Probably because they don't want a copy, they want the real title, the NWA title, if they want any. The only reason they do NOT want the title is because them they would have to leave all their fans in this area.

I also have noticed that when you have an article or pictures on this area, you hardly include the great team of Rip Hawk, Swede Hanson, & Gary Hart. How about a few pictures and an article on them? The last article was very, very long ago when they didn't have a manager, but now that they do, I'm sure that it would be a great feature (even good enough to make the cover). They were joined by the great Gary Hart in early 71. Since they have added a manager they have held all the titles in this area, (but they also had their share of the titles before Mr. Hart joined them.)

Mr. Hart has added class and color to the team, among other things.

The last story on Gary was when he managed the Spoiler. He has also managed such greats as Spoiler No. 2, the Bushman, Al Costello, Karl von Brauner, the Student, and The Stomper. But Rip and Swede are the best wrestlers he has evér managed. They have met just about every top wrestler in this and other areas. Gary also developed the most dangerous and feared hold in wrestling, the dreaded "Gung Fu Clutch."

But you can't forget that Rip has the dreaded and feared Piledriver. Swede has an equally feared hold, the Neckbreaker. Nobody ever gets up after one of those holds has been used on them, (not for a while anyway.). A few months ago the Piledriver was outlased in this area, but that didn't seem to stop them, Rip came up with the Shoulder Drop. It has just about the same effect as the Piledriver. After Mr. Hart got things cleared up the Piledriver was made legal. They just couldn't stop Hawk, Hanson, & Hart.

One of the wrestlers that helped in getting the hold barred was Johnny Weaver. He has no room to talk. He uses a very dangerous hold called the Sleeper, but most wrestlers say that is a choke hold. It probably is.

Hawk & Hanson have been together longer than just about any team in wrestling.

Why not give your magazine the honor of having the great Playboy write the Manager's Corner?

Though they may be classified as one of the rough teams, they can wrestle clean (which they do most of the time). One time on TV, they went up against Paul Jones and Nelson Royal and Rip and Swede were wrestling clean while Jones and Royal were doing everything dirty in the book. Jones and Royal were supposed to be the good guys. Ha!!

I have also had the pleasure of talking with them before and after a match and they are very nice people. They very seldom refuse signing autographs for their true fans.

I hope this letter gets published so all the fans will know who and where the best wrestlers are.

You really do have a good magazine, but if you want to make it better, publish stories on RIP HAWK, SWEDE HANSON & GARY HART more often.

Brad Spoolman
Chesapeake, Virginia

(EDITOR'S NOTE: I hope you didn't miss the great feature in the October issue of Wrestling Revue. Gene Gordon wrote an excellent story on the combination of Hawk, Hanson, and Hart. We both agree that they are a top team.)

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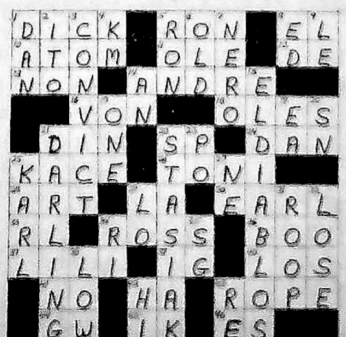

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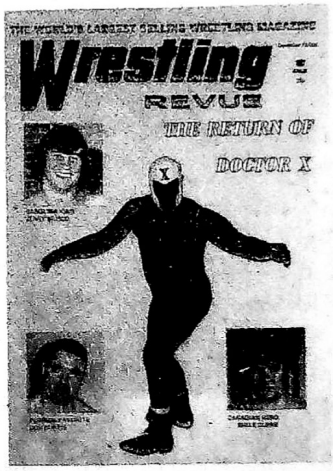

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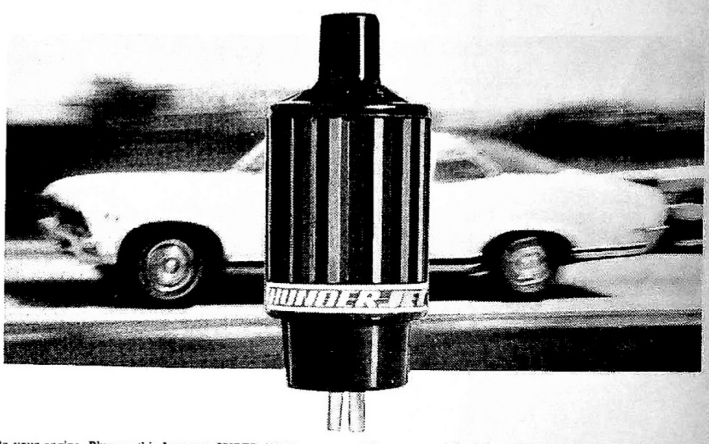

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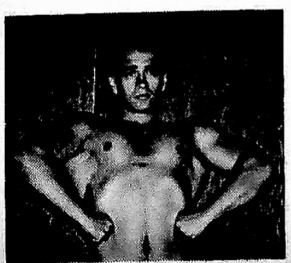

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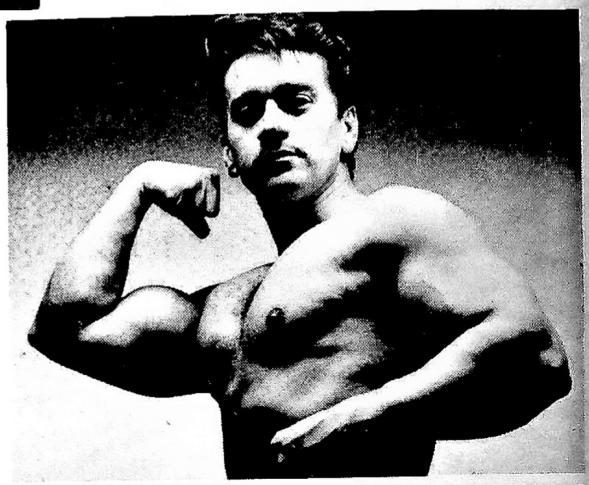

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